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COVID IMPACT: NO RANJI FOR FIRST TIME IN 87 YEARS

BCCI not to conduct board's flagship domestic product for the first time since inception. Two-month bio-bubble 'not feasible'

LIST A, U-19 AND WOMEN'S EVENTS ON

The board's secretary, Jay Shah, in a letter to state units, revealed that they would conduct the senior women's 50-overs meet simultaneously with the men's 50-overs meet. The BCCI will end the season with the U-19 event. "This has been decided after having received your feedback on the domestic season 2020-21," Shah wrote in the letter.

LACK OF CLARITY OVER COMPENSATION

- This is bad news for scores of match officials, including umpires and scorers. Most of them will end up working for fewer days. Not yet known if BCCI will up with a compensation package for them
- It is expected that the players who will miss out from Ranji revenue will be compensated. This decision was taken at the AGM

Shah power

BCCI SECRETARY ELECTED AS CHIEF OF THE ASIAN CRICKET COUNCIL

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STATE GOVT PLANS BIGGEST TOWNSHIP WITH 30,000 SITES

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

THINK big and do it big. That seems to be the Karnataka government's mantra. Never mind the numerous issues plaguing already developed residential layouts. It has now proposed the biggest township project in the state, with around 30,000 sites, which is expected to be ready in two years' time.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to lay the foundation stone for the project, proposed on nearly 2,000 acres at Jigani, around 30 km from Bengaluru, in March at a virtual event. While the two-year target to complete the project looks too ambitious, Housing Minister V Somanna sounded confident when he said that the land acquisition process has almost been completed.

The Housing Department is all set to call for tenders next month for developing roads, underground drainage, water connections, streetlights and other amenities.

Around 100 acres will be reserved for schools, parks, markets, places of worship and other amenities. Sites of 20x30 ft, 30x40 ft and 40x60 sqft dimensions will come up at the Karnataka Housing Board (KHB) Township.

According to minister Somanna, this project was initiated in 2012 and notification was issued for 1,940 acres. But, in the last nine years, previous governments did not evince interest in taking the project forward.

There were some legal hurdles too, which have been resolved, except a few cases where a few farmers have approached courts, he said.

"Without touching their land till the issues are resolved, we will start process. We will give a few sites to the land losers once the township is developed," he said. Of the 1,940 acres, the Detailed Project Report is ready for developing 840 acres. P7

STATE TO GET 2 LITHIUM BATTERY PLANTS

Bengaluru: Two lithium battery manufacturing plants will be set up in Karnataka as part of the state's bid to promote the use of e-vehicles and reduce air pollution. Disclosing this, Deputy Chief Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan said one of the plants will come up in Hubballi region and the other near Chikkaballapura. P4

Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays tribute to Gandhiji at Rajghat | PTI

BAPU ANNIVERSARY AND TIKAIT TONIC

Singhu border turns fortress with several layers of barricades and increased presence of security personnel after Friday violence

Agitation gains further momentum as BKU national spokesperson Rakesh Tikait's emotional appeal draws more farmers

Delhi Police scanning over 1,700 video clips and CCTV footage sourced from the public on the tractor rally violence to identify culprits

Offer on farm laws stands: PM

Opposition parties for probe into outside elements infiltrating farmers' agitation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

WITH the Opposition parties gearing up to corner the government on the controversial farm laws in the ongoing Parliament session, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said the door to accept the Centre's proposal to stay the laws for 18 months is still open.

Speaking at an all-party meeting, the PM said the government's stand was the same as it was on January 22, when the proposal to keep the laws in abeyance was made during the talks with the protesting farmers' unions.

"During the all-party meeting PM Narendra Modi assured that the government was approaching the farmers' issue with an open mind. The PM said the Agriculture Minister's proposal still stands," Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi said.

Modi stressed that the government had an open mind and was ready for a detailed discussion on the issue, adding that farmers could always approach the government as Agriculture Minister Narendra Tomar was just a phone call. P9,10

SC Collegium nixes nod to make judge permanent

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

IN a rare move, the Supreme Court Collegium is understood have withdrawn its consent to make Justice Pushpa V Ganediwala of the Bombay High Court a permanent judge following her controversial verdicts in POCSO cases.

On January 20, a three-judge collegium headed by Chief Justice of India S A Bobde had recommended to the Law Ministry to appoint Justice Ganediwala, currently an additional judge of the Bombay HC, a permanent judge.

According to sources, a note was sent to the Ministry withdrawing the Collegium recommendation.

Justice Ganediwala recently acquitted a man accused of groping a 12-year-old girl's breast because he did not make skin-to-skin contact. Days earlier, the judge ruled that holding the hands of a five-year-old girl and unzipping the trousers do not amount to sexual assault under the POCSO Act.

K'taka tops in IJR '20 police, diversity rankings

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA has topped the 'Police' and 'Diversity' rankings in the second edition of the India Justice Report (IJR) 2020 for having highest SC, ST and OBC diversity for officers, increased number of women in the police force and decreasing vacancies in officers and constables posts.

In the 'Diversity' segment, the study recognises Karnataka as the "only state to meet its officer diversity quotas (SC, ST and OBC) among large and mid-sized states."

Chhattisgarh (among small states) is the other state to meet these quotas for constables, the report states.

Karnataka has however, slipped a few notches on justice delivery from its earlier seventh rank in 2019 to 16th in the recent report with fewer women panel lawyers, few front offices in legal service institutions (LSIs) and fewer cases disposed of by Lok Adalats. Karnataka has also lost its ranking in prison administration for poor budget utilisation, more staff and cadre vacancy and increased workload. P7

EXPRESS READ

Probe looking at Iran role in blast

New Delhi: Police and intelligence agencies are probing the Al Qaeda and Iran angles for the low intensity blast that took place outside the Israel embassy here on Friday, following specific leads in the case. P9

Sasikala may extend Bengaluru stay

VK Sasikala

ENS @ Bengaluru

EXPELLED AIADMK leader V K Sasikala, who is undergoing treatment for Covid-19 at the Victoria Hospital here since January 21, will be discharged on Sunday.

According to sources, Sasikala is likely to stay in the City for a couple of days before returning to Chennai. The police have made adequate arrangements for Sasikala's 'reception' by her family and fans, who have decided to gather in large numbers outside Victoria Hospital. P7

PUSHED INTO WELL BY FRIEND, MAN DIES

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A prank in a state of intoxication went horribly wrong, resulting in a man losing his life, even as six others in the group were video-recording the entire episode, at Tavarakere on the outskirts of the city on Saturday.

Lakshmikanth (27), a resident of Hebbur, who was employed in an electronic goods showroom in Machohalli, was pushed into a well on a farm land by his friend while six others were shooting a video. Lakshmikanth drowned and died as he did not know how to swim. Police have since taken five of them into custody while two are at large.

A senior police officer said that a group of eight friends had gone on an outing on Friday evening and all were under the influence of alcohol. Early on Saturday, they came to Thagachaguppe village where they decided to take a bath in a nearby well. Lakshmikanth's friend Balaram pushed him into the well while the six others were recording a video of the incident for a few minutes.

When they noticed that Lakshmikanth was drowning, they tried to rescue him, but in vain. They then ran away from the spot and Balaram sought the help of some villagers to lift the body from the well. P7

Department of Health and Family Welfare
I have taken Polio drops: How about you?
Sri B.S. Yediyurappa
Hon'ble Chief Minister
POLIO ROUND
31 January
Ensure every child under 5 years of age gets polio drops every time
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India is now polio free Country. Let us be cautious of its relapse. Let our victory continue against polio. Please ensure every child below 5 years is administered polio drops in each round without fail.
Hon'ble Minister for Health & Family Welfare and Medical Education Dr. K. Sudhakar
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Wear Mask
6 Feet
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VENTURE OUT FOR ADVENTURE

Honnemaradu in Shivamogga district is a paradise for fun and thrills

RAMACHANDRA V GUNARI
@ Shivamogga

IF you are looking to relax and also have some adventure, then Honnemaradu in Shivamogga district is your holiday spot. You can dive into the cool pool or go boating or canoeing or go in for trekking in this nature's cradle.

Honnemaradu, a tiny picturesque village 22 km from Sagar town and located along the Sharavathi backwaters, throws challenges for adventure enthusiasts.

The Adventurers at Honnemaradu stands out from the crowd for its service-oriented camps for children with disabilities, besides training programmes for college students and corporate executives. It is a non-profit organization promoting outdoor learning, environmental conservation and social development.

S L N Swamy, president and founder of The Adventurers, says, "Our top priority is to bring humans back close to nature. Outdoor training activities instil confidence in those who come to camp for 2-3 days."

Adventure sports and water sports are open to all age groups. "We have been imparting training in life skills with a medium of adventure activities. Every activity conducted focuses on fine-tuning life skills like leadership qualities, interpersonal and communication skills, creative thinking and motivation by building confidence in oneself. Above all, it provides an opportunity for everyone who comes here to explore themselves and introspect to enhance one's abilities," says Nomito Kamdar, programme director.

Every year The Adventurers organises two prominent camps – one, for children with disabilities and helps them face the worldly challenges by accepting themselves as they are. They organise exclusive camps for 800 -1,000 physically challenged children every year.

"I enjoyed it to the maximum while organising and conducting training for the physically challenged children. They were allowed to pit their strength to do the activities. At the end, I had a sense of accomplishment as they became more self-reliant," says Kamdar.

The second camp is Teppayana – a four-day-long sailing in Sharavathi backwaters -- from

Honnemaradu to Siganduru and back. The backwaters behind the Linganamakki reservoir spreads across 350 sqkm. Once you start Teppayana, you will find water everywhere.

Teppayana will make you explore the Western Ghat ranges along the backwaters. You would get a chance to visit and enjoy the popular Kodachadri mountain ranges, Nagara Fort, tombs of kings who ruled Nagara, Muppane, a paradise of wildlife, folksongs and dances of the tribals, and places were spices like pepper, honey, cinnamon are grown.

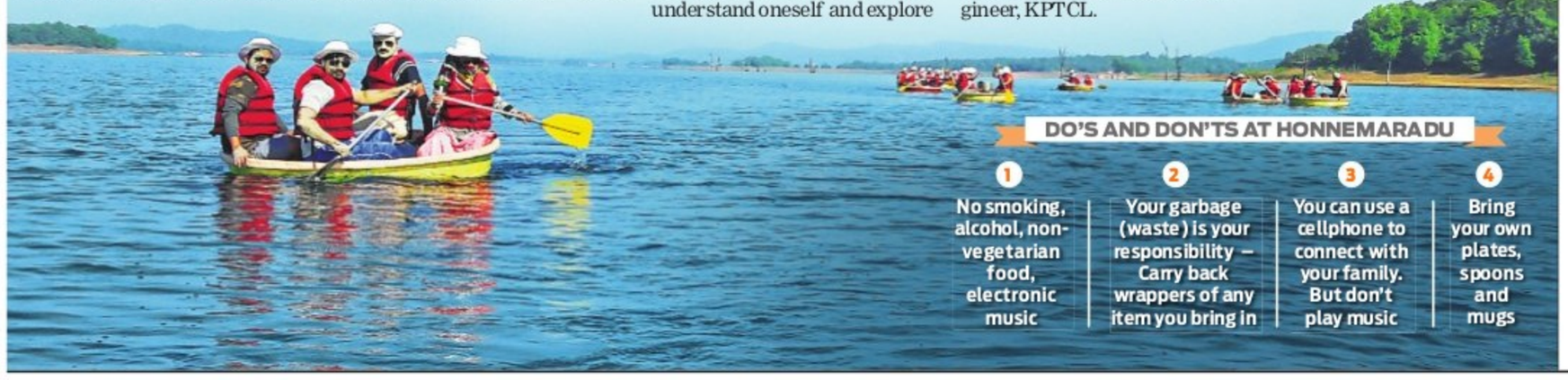
"Our Teppayana expedition will be of 4 to 10 days all along the Sharavathi backwaters. Camping in the islands of the backwaters, and being with nature day and night, would provide a memorable experience to understand oneself and explore the nature and culture of Malnad," says Swamy.

Participants themselves have to paddle their coracles (Teppa) by carrying their luggage and food. It is not a joy ride– one has to learn and put their skills to test.

"This expedition made me realise my inner strength, skills and courage. Spent the nights without lights, and listened to the music of beetles, crickets, birds, insects, trees covered with glow-worms. Sometimes it makes us feel elated and sometimes it induces a sense of awe," says Marshal Sharma, retired principal of Kodachadri Government First Grade College, Hosanagara.

"When The Adventurers commenced their activities in Honnemaradu, local residents were apprehensive that it would be yet another commercial activity, exploiting this place. The efforts of Swamy and Nomito in disseminating the history and culture of the Malnad region is commendable. They have set an example of how to conserve nature by making a living here," says Gajanana Sharma, writer and retired superintendent engineer, KPTCL.

PICS: THE ADVENTURERS



Activities offered at Honnemaradu

CAMPING
Lighting a campfire is a privilege here and also how to put it out is also a technique that should not disturb nature. Participants will be taught this skill too

SWIMMING
It is another challenging task for the participants to swim in the Sharavathi backwaters. Water will be as deep as 60-140 feet. Life jacket compulsory

CORACLING
This is a kind of local traditional boat (Teppa). It spins wildly in circular motion in water. A group of 4-6 enjoy the ride

CANOEING
Long boat that accommodates two. Rowing by one who sits in front increases the speed while the other sitting behind navigates.

KAYAKING
A lone person rides a low-to-the-water, canoe-like boat, that requires concentration, technique and skill

TREKKING
Hillocks located nearby and watching the dawn is a thrilling experience

WINDSURFING
One should be aware of the wind blow and skill of balancing the boat

DO'S AND DON'TS AT HONNEMARADU

1. No smoking, alcohol, non-vegetarian food, electronic music
2. Your garbage (waste) is your responsibility – Carry back wrappers of any item you bring in
3. You can use a cellphone to connect with your family. But don't play music
4. Bring your own plates, spoons and mugs

How to grow a mini forest in a year

PRAKASH SAMAGA @Udupi

A tiny two-cent patch of land in Katpady town in coastal Karnataka isn't quite the Western Ghats, but close. Spatially and figuratively. It houses a minuscule fraction of the richness of the Western Ghats which is roughly 30km away. The plot of land in Udupi district is owned by Mahesh Shenoy, a 43-year-old businessman, and used to be fallow until a year ago. But today, his son Ameya, who is in Class 10, and daughter Anvitha, who is in Class 7, are growing up watching a Miyawaki forest grow.

Discussions with friends in Bengaluru introduced Mahesh to the concept of a Miyawaki forest. He researched online, and learned more about the urban afforestation method using local species of plants and trees created by Japanese botanist Akira Miyawaki. Enamoured by the idea, he and his friends – Vishu Shetty, Ganeshraj Saralebettu, Nithyanand Volakad and Ravi Katapady -- who also live in Udupi, formed a group called Organic Living, and got to work to create what might be Udupi district's first Miyawaki forest.

"Miyawaki promoted natural vegetation by raising mini forests along Japan's coastline. I have adapted that model and customised it for the weather conditions of Udupi," Mahesh says.

Mahesh and his friends dug up the soil on October 13, 2019, added manure, and monitored its nutrition levels for three months. Meanwhile, they chose the species they would plant. In January 2020, they planted around 220 saplings including teakwood, rosewood, Indian beech, neem, and almond -- procured from government-run nurseries and acquaintances -- a metre apart.

"Amid problems of increasing groundwater depletion and rising urban heat, this Japanese method of forest creation is a ray of hope," Mahesh says. "Many did not believe me, and said it was impossible, but I proved them wrong."

Using conventional methods, a teakwood sapling would grow a couple of feet a year, but under the Miyawaki method, it grows about 6-10 feet a year. Some of the trees are 15-20 feet tall, have thick branches, belying the fact that they are barely a year old, and are home to dozens of birds. Mahesh named the forest Ganapathy Vana, after his grandfather.

> If everybody has begun talking about conserving greenery to bring down the temperature, Mahesh actually did something about it
>
> – Ganeshraj Saralebettu, Mahesh's friend

Gowri Shenoy, Mahesh' wife, became a full-fledged supporter of the venture when she learned that the forest would need work for only about two years, after which it would take care of itself.

During the past year, Mahesh has worked hard to ensure that the four-layer forest in his backyard was watered, weeded and manured. He pretty much singlehandedly took care of the work. He spent Rs 40,000 including the cost of saplings and manure.

Although Vanamahotsava is observed during the monsoon each year, in Mahesh's view, "Vanamahotsava is not yielding much result, but creating a forest under this method is practicable. I want to show people that anybody can have a mini-forest in their backyard," he says.

Mahesh Shenoy enjoys a walk in his forest-like backyard | EXPRESS

A LONG WAIT

Kempegowda Layout to get amenities by Dec

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THE State Government is committed to providing basic amenities to Bangalore Development Authority's Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout by December for which Rs 650 crore will be released, said BDA Chairman Vishwanath on Saturday.

He said the much-awaited layout will get underground drains, drinking water, power supply and other basic amenities. He directed officials to submit a comprehensive report on facilities needed and ongoing works, within a month. The government will complete all facilities as per the RERA agreement, he added.

On Banashankari 6th Stage, he said that there has been a delay in supplying Cauvery water. A sum of Rs 168 crore is estimated for the project, of which one-third will be released to BWSSB.

He said that the Shivarama Karantha Layout is pending for a long time. As per the Supreme Court direction, a committee of three retired officials has been constituted to study the pros and cons and submit the report. They have started work.

BDA Act to be amended

Vishwanath said that many officials who join BDA retire there. Some of them are indulging in corruption which is causing a loss to BDA. To control them, the BDA Act will be amended to allow these BDA officials to be transferred to other urban development authorities. "We will bring this amendment in the budget session. If this is enforced, officials will be transferred to other local bodies and they have to work there for three years before coming back to BDA. That too only after it is approved by the Board," he added.

GET READY FOR SMART CITY ROADS BY JUNE

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CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa inspected the Smart City works in the city on Saturday. He inspected the roads from an AC bus along with MP PC Mohan, minister Byrathi Basavaraj and Deputy CM Dr C N Ashwath Narayan. He physically inspected the roads which were already completed and nearing completion such as Race Course Road.

The CM inspected Raj Bhavan Road, T Chowdaiah Road, Palace Road, Ambedkar Veedhi, Haines Road and surrounding areas. He pulled up the civic agency heads for digging up footpaths which are in good condition, saying it was a wasteful exercise in terms of both material and public money.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa inspects road works on Saturday | EXPRESS

On the Smart City projects, the CM said, work was taken up for 37 roads at a cost of Rs 930 crore. So far, four roads have been completed, work on 29 is under way, and tenders have been called for the rest. A total of Rs 103 crore has been spent. He directed officials to complete all the works by June at no extra cost.

He said storm water drains under the K-100 project will be completed by February 2021. Work on Namma Metro line in Kengeri will be done by June 2021 and Whitefield and Electronics City projects by the end of the year. He announced that 400 acres of Turahalli forest will be turned into a tree park by April 2021. Similarly, 102 acres of Kadugodi forest and 98 acres of Machohalli forest, will also be turned into tree parks by June 2021.

As part of Mission 2022's Swachh Bengaluru initiative, 400- 500 metric tonnes of waste will be converted to manure in 15 days. He also told Chief Secretary P Ravi Kumar to hold meetings with BBMP officials once a week to take stock of the solid waste management.

He examined the progress of the work on the 25 lakes listed for rejuvenation under Mission 2022 and said that all works will be completed by February 2022.

EXPRESS READ

State Finance Corporation celebrates 60 years

BENGALURU: Karnataka State Financial Corporation (KSFC), which was established on March 30, 1959, has provided assistance to over 1,74,000 units amounting to over Rs 18,000 crore as on December 2020. The corporation has made a profit of Rs 44.92 crore during the financial year 2019-20. Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Saturday released a souvenir called Triumphant Sixty, containing a glimpse of the success stories of some of the units that KSFC has assisted financially. He also unveiled the official KSFC website.ENS

'Start offiline classes from Class 6'

BENGALURU: Prof M R Doreswamy, Adviser, Education Reforms (Cabinet Rank) to the state government, has suggested starting offline classes from Class 6. The government has already taken the decision to restart offline classes for Classes 9 and 8 from February 8. He said the government should consider offline classes from Class 6. He also added that in the interest of students and staff, the education department should consult with the health department

BWSSB to meet Air show water needs

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

THE Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board is gearing up to supply 2 million litres of water per day during the Aero India show from February 3 to 5. If demand increases, the Board will be able to meet it, said a senior official.

A nodal officer on behalf of the water department has been taking part in discussions with the State government and Aero India organisers. Devaraj, Chief Engineer, Maintenance, BWSSB, told TNIE, "The demand for Cauvery water is expected to be 1 Million Litres Per Day (MLD) another 1 MLD a day for treated water. We will not divert drinking water being supplied to other areas but will pump additional 1MLD."

The Board will dispatch five empty water tankers to the venue to help distribute water. "The tankers will transport water from a common point to different points inside," the CE added.

The demand for non-drinking purposes too is expected to be the same. BWSSB will supply this from its 5 MLD Water Treatment Plant at Jakkur. "It is tertiary treated water and we already supply up to 3 MLD to industries. We can supply it to the Air Show too," he said.

Devaraj said regular charges would apply: Rs 60 per kilo litre for drinking water and Rs 15 per kilo litre for recycled water.

Traffic task force

The government has set up a task force to assess traffic management during the Aero India show. A decision to this effect was taken during a meeting chaired by the chief secretary on October 22. The assessment will include identifying a parking venue which could operate as a satellite terminal to provide public transport to visitors.

No letting guard down now, warn experts

State's positivity rate 0.8% in the past week, less than 1% in 23 districts; shows falling number of cases

IFFATH FATHIMA @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA has been recording a low number of Covid-19 cases since November, many a times less than 1,000. In September and October, the state was recording about 6,000 plus cases daily.

More cheering news is that in the past one week, Karnataka's positivity rate has been 0.8%. While the positivity rate in 23 districts has been less than 1%, it is 1% and above in only seven districts. However, health experts caution that we must continue to take precautions.

The positivity rate is the number of positive cases per 100 tests. The seven districts with 1 per cent and more positivity rate are Kodagu at 1.9%, Kalaburagi with 1.4%, Dakshina Kannada at 1.2% , Chitradurga at 1.1% and Uttara Kannada, Udupi and Bengaluru Urban with 1.0%.

The vaccine drive has seen a poor turnout in the state due to hesitancy and complacency as the case count is low | SHRIRAM BN

Although these districts are recording more than 1% positivity rate, experts state that they are doing well. According to WHO, the positivity rate is said to be high only if it is more than 5%. Mysore Sanjeev, convener, Jeevan Raksha, an initiative of Proxima Consulting, said, "Low positivity rate does not mean that the spread of virus is less but what it indicates is that the districts have been carrying out enough number of tests and are identifying cases at a faster pace and tracing their contacts and isolating them. Now, with the positivity rate coming down, it is definitely a good sign and that is why we are seeing a reduction in the number of deaths as well."

Dr Giridhar Babu, Member of States Technical Advisory Committee, stated that this was not the end and one should still be cautious. "The worst may be over for now but the virus has not disappeared completely from the state. There will be outbreaks as soon as susceptible persons are pooled beyond a critical level. We need to be vigilant and detect these in early stages through syndromic approach, efficient testing and strict containment. This should go hand in hand with meticulous micro planning and wider vaccine coverage," he said.

Dr Babu added, "Because of low numbers and low positivity rate, we cannot say that there won't be a second wave. Kerala was doing extremely well with low numbers months back, but now the numbers are very high there with a wave arising. Similarly, it could happen here if we do not continue to follow Covid safety norms."

Dr C N Manjunath, Director of Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, who is also the nodal officer for Covid-19 testing in the state, said, "The testing plays an important role, and we need to continue testing above 1 lakh, even if cases are low. That is how we can trace contacts early and continue to keep the numbers down."

JAB FOR THE WARRIOR

There was a lot of apprehension initially about the vaccines. However, after a lot of thinking and review, I took the first shot of Covishield with confidence. I realised that the pandemic is not over and it's probably best to take the vaccine. There was just mild pain at the vaccine site, maybe a little exhaustion for 24-48 hours, but no other issue. I think with any pandemic vaccines are absolutely the most important strategy to control it. With vaccines showing positive signs, we can once again resume our normal lives without the lurking fear and anxiety of contracting Covid-19. This is the best thing that could happen this year. Though these are early days, we are optimistic that we can get good coverage with the vaccination.

Dr Swati Rajagopal, Consultant, Infectious Diseases and Travel Medicine, Aster CMI Hospital

I took my first dose of Covid vaccine on January 19. Honestly, we should feel grateful to have access to a vaccine in such a short time. I experienced very mild pain at the injection site and mild body ache for two days. I didn't require any medication or rest. I went about doing my routine work. I was absolutely fine on the third day. If one understands the science of vaccines, one can be reassured about the safety profile of these vaccines. In any case, they are safer than suffering the complications due to live, actively multiplying viruses. Moreover, we should be proactively taking it to build sufficient herd immunity before the virus starts mutating again.

Dr Suman Singh, MDOBG, Senior Consultant, Rainbow Hospital, Bengaluru

EXPRESS READ

Pulse Polio drive starts today

BENGALURU: The Pulse Polio programme which begins on Sunday, will be held until February 3. The drive will be carried out at 3,340 booths, in BBMP limits. As many as 456 standard teams, 324 traffic teams, 14,922 vaccinators, and 426 supervisors will manage the programme. As many as 28,38,822 households in Bengaluru have 10,84,392 in the 0-5 age group who will be given oral drops. There are also 3,60,712 children in 960 slums who are vaccinated and 3,995 migrant areas with a population of 1,97,565, with 18,507 children under of five.

BBMP revives leprosy eradication drive

BENGALURU: BBMP has partnered with the health department to create awareness on leprosy and to revive its leprosy eradication drive. On the sidelines of Mahatma Gandhi's death anniversary, BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad said an awareness programme on leprosy will be held from January 30 to February 13 across the city. He said BBMP had started the programme in 2016-17 to eradicate the disease, and that it is being revived. As many as 141 PHCs, 5 general hospitals, 6 medical colleges and hospitals and two NGOs will be involved.

4 doctors contract Covid week after receiving jab in Chamarajanagar

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@Chamarajanagar

AMID tepid response to the ongoing Covid-19 vaccination drive for health workers, four doctors who got their first shot of the vaccine a week ago in Chamarajanagar district have tested positive for SARS-CoV-2.

This includes two doctors who took the indigenous and controversial Covaxin vaccine. Apart from the four, three more doctors also tested positive and according to officials, all of them were working at the designated Covid-19 hospital in the district. Sources say they have mild symptoms and are isolated in their homes.

Health workers testing positive after receiving the vaccine has occurred earlier as well.

Dean of Chamarajanagar Institute of Medical Sciences Dr G M Sanjeev ruled out any role of the vaccine in the infection and said protective immunity through antibodies are not triggered immediately after the first dose. The vaccine will trigger protection only 14 days after receiving the second dose of the vaccine, he said.

In case of the doctors who tested positive, they had all received only the first dose of vaccine. He said doctors used to frequently travel together in a single car and that that may have triggered the spread.

Incidentally, doctors contracted the infection at a time when the designated Covid hospital has just 22 active cases.

Chamarajanagar RCHO Vishweshwaraiah said this reiterates the need to follow Covid protocol even after vaccination.

He said the infection was detected as the doctors had mild symptoms and were tested for virus.

Over 6K get vaccinated in K'taka on Saturday

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KARNATAKA achieved 6,064 (30%) of the scheduled 19,934 vaccinations on Saturday.

Fifteen days after the roll out, Karnataka has achieved an overall 51% of its target of 6,12,194, with 3,12,251 people receiving the shot so far.

BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad said, "Those who have missed their vaccination due to personal reasons or due to apprehensions can get the shot now. Some hospitals have already begun giving the jab to health care workers who had missed their appointment."

Covid vaccination will not be carried out between January 31 and February 3 due to the Pulse Polio campaign.

Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar tweeted in Kannada on Saturday, saying that the second dose of vaccination should be received 28 days after the first dose of the corona vaccine, and around 14-15 days after the second dose, that is, only around 45 days after taking the first dose will the immunity build.

In the meantime, people who have been vaccinated can become infected if they come in contact with the virus, the minister said.

Both Covishield and Covaxin are completely safe and can be taken by the public without any hesitation, he said, and appealed to people to consider only official government information, and not pay heed to rumours about corona vaccines.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I BENGALURU
No.4, Second Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal Building, Residency Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560 025

FORM NO.14, (See Regulation 33(2))
DRC NO. 1172/2019

Andhra Bank Yelahanka Branch, Yelahanka Bengaluru - 560 063. ...Certificate Holder

Versus

M/s. R.V.S. Projects & Others ...Certificate Debtors(s)

DEMAND NOTICE

To, 1) M/s. R.V.S. Projects Represented by its Managing Partner Smt. P. Karuna Res at # 1458, 24th Cross,12th Main, Sahakaranagar. Bengaluru - 560 092. 2) Smt. P. Karuna, W/o. Bhushana Rao. Res at 1458, 24th Cross. 12th Main, Sahakaranagar. Bengaluru- 560 092. 3) Sri. Bhushana Rao S/o. Sri. Mallikarjuna, Res at # 1458, 24th Cross,12th Main, Sahakaranagar. Bengaluru - 560 092. 4) Sri. P. Subbaiah S/o. Sri. Sivaiah, Res at : No.21/1, Vemavaram, Prakasham District, Andhra Pradesh - 523 301 5) Sri. Surendra Reddy S/o Sri Jaganna, Puthramaddi Village & Post, Airala Mandal, Chittor District, Andhra Pradesh 6) Sri. Parvataneni Sai Krishna S/o Late Subramanyeswara Rao, Vissannapet, Mukkollupadu Post, Nuzivid Mandal, Krishana District, Andhra Pradesh.

In view of the Recovery Certificate issued in OA No. 578/2018 passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bengaluru on 14.11.2019 an amount of Rs.1,17,06,263/- (Rupees One Crore Seventeen Lakh Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Three Only) is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filing of O.A.s till realization.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the above sum within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.

In additions to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay: a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings. b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this 13th day of Dec 2019

SD/- (DEEPAINDUVANI. S)
RECOVERY OFFICER-II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I, BENGALURU

Note: Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act 1993 which is reproduced below:

"Rule 16(1) where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.

(2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any Interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.

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RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPC-4) WHITE FIELD (17753)
NO.117,Ground Floor, Neil Rao Towers, Road No.3,
White Field Road, Bengaluru - 560 066. Phone: 080-28411010/ 28411020 ,Email : sbi.17753@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Properties)

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, RACPC-IV, Whitefield Bengaluru under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices calling upon the following borrowers/ guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest/cost etc within 60 days from the date of the receipt of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower hereunder.

1. Name of the Borrower : Sri. Lakshmaiah Reddy S/o K.V. Ramaiah Reddy
Demand Notice date : 24.11.2020 A/c No: HL: 65248708586, Suraksha: 65255091835
Loan Outstanding amount as per demand notice:Rs.26,27,522/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Two Only) as on 24.11.2020 and further interest from 25.11.2020 with incidental expenses, costs thereon
Possession Taken date : 28.01.2021
Loan Outstanding amount : Rs. 25,80,772.00 (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Two Only) as on 27.01.2021 and interest from 28.01.2021 & expenses thereon.
Description of the immovable property: SCHEDULE "A": All the part and parcel of property bearing Eat –Southern side portion of Vacant site No.218/2 situated at Khayamghtha Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk now Comes within the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No. 74, Kodihalli Main Road Range, Bangalore and having Municipal No.57/2 (old No..57) PID No. 74-14-57/2. Kodihalli Main Road, Bangalore measuring East to West 32 Feet and North to South 15 feet, in all measuring 480 sq. feet standing in the name of Sri. Lakshmaiah Reddy S/o K.V. Ramaiah Reddy and bounded on the: East by: Gurappa's Property, West by: Portion of the said property fallen to the share of Smt. K.R. Lalitha , North by: 5 feet winw common passage left by parties for their common use, South by : Pattappa's property.

2. Name of the Borrowers : 1) Sri. Ravitej P S/o P. Akambaram 2) Smt. Neelima Ravitej W/o Sri. P. Ravitej
Demand Notice date : 17.11.2020 A/c No: HL: 65279807230.65256210060, Suraksha: 65279816392
Loan Outstanding amount as per demand notice :Rs.35,46,625/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Forty Six Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Five Only) as on 17.11.2020. And further interest from 18.11.2020 with incidental expenses, costs thereon
Possession Taken date : 28.01.2021
Loan Outstanding amount : Rs. 35,29,410.00 (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Ten Only) as on 27.01.2021 and interest from 28.01.2021 & expenses thereon.
Description of the immovable property: SCHEDULE "A": All the part and parcel of property bearing converted site No. 19, Khata No. 279/A,Sl No.341, formed out of converted survey No.25, vide its conversion order No.BDS.ALN.SR(SA) 250/2000-01 dated, 24.11.2000, issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore situated at Basavanapura, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), previously under the limits of K.R. Puram CMC, Bangalore and measuring East to West 85' and North to South 82' measuring in all 6790 Sq. feet and bounded on the:East by : 30 feet Road, West by : 30 feet Road, North by: Private Property, South by: Private Property
SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: Flat bearing no.301 in the third floor in the multistoried residential apartment name as "ELITE APARTMENTS" built in schedule 'A' property having super built up area as 1050 sq. feet including common area together with one car parking space in the basement of the apartment along with 267 sq. feet of undivided share in the land out of the schedule "A" property and the building is constructed with brick and cement wall, RCC roofing, steel windows, wooden doors, mosaic tiles flooring with electricity, water and sanitary facility, as per specification mentioned in the Brochure.

3. Name of the Borrower : Smt. Revathi S W/o Muniraju
Guarantors: 1) Sri. Srinivasa.K S/o Sri. Krishnappa 2) Sri. Mahesh Kumar M S/o Sri. Muniraju.N
Demand Notice date : 10.11.2020 A/c No: YLR/HL: 65203387711, Suraksha: 65203662814
Loan Outstanding amount as per demand notice :Rs.3,97,361/- (Rupees Three Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixty One Only) as on 05.11.2020 and further interest from 06.11.2020 with incidental expenses, costs thereon.
Possession Taken date : 28.01.2021
Loan Outstanding amount : Rs. 3,89,667.00 (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Seven Only) as on 27.01.2021 and interest from 28.01.2021 & expenses thereon.
Description of the immovable property: SSCHEDULE "A": All the piece and parcel of residential building No.128 of Apartment Blocks No 9,10,11 and 12 constructed in property bearing survey No.113 of Bangalore Development Authority, situated at Alur Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Road, North by: Road,South by: BDA Vacant Land
SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: 33.526 Square meter of undivided share, right title, interest and ownership in the land comprised in the schedule -A property.
SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY: All the piece and parcel of the 1 BHK residential Flat bearing No. B9/301 in Third Floor of Block No.9 measuring 33.526 Square meter built-up area, inclusive of proportionate share in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircase, lift and bounded on:East by: House No B9/304, West by : Road, North by : House No B9/302, South by: Staircase

The above mentioend borrowers/guarantors/ mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/guarantors/ mortgagers and public in general that the undersigned, being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, RACPC-IV, Whitefield, Bengaluru has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on above mentioned date.

The borrowers//guarantors/ mortgagers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India, for amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued and cost/ expenses thereon. The borrowers'/guarantors'/mortgagors' attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. Sd/-

Date :28.01.2021
Place: Bangalore
Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
RACPC -IV, Whitefield, Bengaluru

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I BENGALURU
No. 4, 2nd Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal Building Residency Road, Bengaluru- 560025
RC No. 12427

IDBI Bank Limited, No. 326, Ashwini Complex, 1st & 2nd Floor, 6th Main, 80 Feet Road, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560038. .....Certificate Holder

Versus

Mr. Sudhakar Reddy Kalluri & Others

DEMAND NOTICE

1) Mr. Sudhakar Reddy Kalluri, S/o. Late K.V.Subba Reddy, Marine Vista, No.6-17, Neptune Court, Singapore -449 031. Also at: Mr. Sudhakar Reddy Kalluri, Perot Systems TSI (Singapore) Pvt. Ltd, No.61. Robinson Road, 10-03, Robinson Centre, Singapore - 068 890. Mr. Sudhakar Reddy Kalluri Chinna Yarasala, Porumamimala Mandal, Badvel Taluk, Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh. 2) Mr. B.Ravindra Reddy, No.3, M.Krishnappa Coconut Garden, 5th Cross, R.T.Nagar, Bangalore - 560032. Also at: Mr. B. Ravindra Reddy, No. 8, Srinivasa Nilaya, Near HMT Layout, R.T Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560032. 3) M/s. Charan Homes Pvt. Ltd, Represented by its Managing Director, Mr. K.V.V. Sathyanarayana Reddy, No.11, 80 Ft Road, HMT Layout, Near Karnataka Bank, R.T.Nagar, Bangalore - 560 032. 4) Mrs. Shruthi W/o. G.Sudhir Residing at No.28, Yamuna Bai Road, Madhava Nagar, Bangalore - 560 001. 5) Ms. Sangeeta D/o. Late N.Sukumar, Residing at No.28, Yamuna Bai Road, Madhava Nagar, Bangalore - 560001. ....Defendants/Certified Debtors

In view of the Recovery Certificate issued in O.A. No. 588/2012 passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bengaluru an amount of Rs.42,50,702/- (Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred and Two Only) is due against you along with interest and costs from the date of filling of O.A.s till realization.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the amount within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.

In additions to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay:

a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.

b) all cost, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal on this 24th Day of December 2020.

Sd/- (RAJASEKHARAN.R)
RECOVERY OFFICER-1
DRT - I, BENGALURU

Note : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below:

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(2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment."

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my client Sri B.M. Ganesh, aged about 51 years, son of Mariyappa, Byappanahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, is the owner of property bearing Sy.No.53/3 measuring 0.28.12.00 guntas situated at Byappanahalli Village, having acquired the same by virtue of partition entered into between himself and his brothers on 15/09/2011.

While travelling in the bus from Byappanahalli to Hosakote, the grant certificate, saguvali chit along with other papers were misplaced in Hoskote bus stand, inspite of his best efforts he could not able to trace out the same and in this regard he lodged a complaint before the police authority which is registered as GSC No.PO1916170600071 on 19.01.2017. If anybody has trace out the same, please hand over the same either to my client or to the undersigned.

Further request the general public that not to enter into any kind of transaction in respect of the schedule property with anybody on the basis of the documents produced/furnished by any person. If any transaction taken place in respect of the schedule property the same is not binding on my client and my client is forced to take necessary action in the matter.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy.No. 53/3 measuring 0.28.12.00 guntas situated at Byappanahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, bounded on the: East by: land of S.K. V. Raju, West by: land of Bettappa, North by: land of N.K.V. Raju, South by: land of Channerayappa & Gururaju.

K.V. RAMU, Advocate
No. 12/2, 10th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560002, M: 9844378747. Date: 29.01.2021.

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS, LOCKER HOLDERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC

Notice is given that from 5.3.2021, the branch mentioned in "A" is being merged with branch mentioned in "B"

	EXISTING ADDRESS - A	BASE BRANCH ADDRESS - B
1	Plot No.2, S.R.S Complex, Kalkere Main Road, Kowdenahalli, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-500016, Karnataka. IFSC Code : PUNB0164720	Plot No.28, 29, 34, 35, Kalkere Main Road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-500016 Karnataka. IFSC Code : PUNB0588300

Contact Details of Base Branch

Name : Mrs. M Sumita (Manager) Mobile No. 7022709496
Name : Mrs. Akansha (Second In charge) Mobile No. 9108001636
Land Line : 080-25661499 email id : bo5883@pnb.co.in

All banking services for the existing customers shall continue to be extended from the premises mentioned at B. We sincerely regret for the inconvenience caused in this respect. This is for the information to all esteemed customers and to the general public.

Assuring you of our best services at all times.

Date : 30.01.2021
Place : Bangalore
CIRCLE HEAD
Bangalore East

GULBARGA ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Wholly Owned Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)

SEE/BLY/AEE(C)/2020-21/CYS-08 Date: 22-01-2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Superintending Engineer Ele, O&M Circle GESCOM, Ballari invites the tenders for 8 (Eight) number of civil engineering works at Hospet, Hagari Bommanahalli & Kampli Talukas. The bid documents will be available on https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 04-02-2021. For more enquiry contact 08392-274084 during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer Ele, O&M Circle GESCOM, Ballari

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केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
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SME Peenya Branch,
No. 473, D(7), 13th Cross, 4th Phase,
Peenya Industrial Area,
Bengaluru – 560058.
Ph: 080-28360037/2661,

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and/or Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of SME Peenya Branch of Canara Bank., will be sold on the basis of "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 15.02.2021, for recovery of Rs.6,59,73,735.46 (Rupees Six Crores Fifty Nine Lacs Seventy Three Thousands Seven Hundred Thirty Five and Paise Forty Six Only) and interest & other charges there on from 01.01.2021 due to the SME Peenya Branch of Canara Bank from M/s Indo Metal Lubricants, No B-35, 2nd Cross, 3rd Stage, Peenya Industrial Estate,Nelakadaranahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore- 560058. represented by its Proprietor Mr. B Chandrahasa Shetty Flat No 303, Harita Apartments, 2nd Floor, 11th Cross, 5th Main, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003

The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposits, Auction date, last date of submission of Bid details are as under. The Earnest Money shall be deposited by way of DD favouring Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, SME Peenya Branch, Bangalore OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer – IFSC CODE CNRB0002454) to the credit of the account number 2454295000001, Canara Bank, SME Peenya Branch, Bangalore on or before 11.02.2021 by 5.00 pm.

The properties can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer, on or before 11.02.2021 by 5.00 pm.

Description of the immovable Assets	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
Residential property at Flat No. 303, Harita Apartments, 2nd floor, #112, 11th Cross, 5th Main, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003 in the name of Sri B Chandrahasa Shetty. Extent of site : Undivided share – 705 sq ft. Super Built area – 1650 sq ft.	Rs 125.00 Lakhs	Rs 12.50 Lakhs	Rs 50,000/-

known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Assistant General Manager, SME Peenya Branch, Canara Bank, Ph. No. 9987554449/9987790751/7975725335 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 30.01.2021
Place: Bengaluru
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

Former CM and Congress leader Siddaramaiah on Saturday slammed BJP and RSS saying the person who assassinated Mahatma Gandhi was worshiped by people who also talk about Gandhi's ideology. He said RSS and BJP leaders never took part in the Freedom struggle and they try to get political mileage by creating animosity between communities

K'taka to get two lithium battery plants

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

DEPUTY Chief Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan on Saturday said that two lithium battery manufacturing plants will be set up in Karnataka. This, he said, was part of several measures being initiated by the State Government to promote the use of e-vehicles and reduce air pollution.

He said that while one of the proposed manufacturing plants will come up in Hubballi region, the other will be set up near Chikkaballapur.

Speaking after launching a e-vehicle rally near Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru, the DyCM said Karnataka was the first state in the country to introduce an "e-vehicle policy" in 2018. To help consumers avail of the pre-charged batteries on a hiring basis, battery banks will be set up across the state and they will work in a similar fashion as that of petrol bunks, he said, adding that such a move will also reduce the price of electric vehicles.

He said that the e-vehicle manufacturing sector was growing at a rapid pace and that the State Government was taking several steps to boost the sector.

Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company has been made the nodal agency for setting up more charging stations. It has already established 150 charging stations and 150 more will be added, he said.

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'Budget a tightrope walk for BSY'

BANSY KALAPPA

It is a going to be a tightrope walk for Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa as he gets ready to present the State Budget, said 14th National Finance Commission member Prof M Govinda Rao while talking to The New Sunday Express. It is not time for ministers to haggle over portfolios, but to work to make Bengaluru and Karnataka more investor-friendly, he added. On the economic scenario in the country, he warned that when the loan moratorium ends soon, vulnerable sectors will go bust and that will lead to severe bleeding in the economy.

The government has the onerous task of putting the economy back on track.

The Economic Survey indicates what the government needs to do. Spending must be the priority, but they should not lose sight of reforms. The major area of reform is the banking sector. Public sector banks are bleeding and taxpayers' money cannot be given for their recapitalisation. The time has come for the government to bite the bullet. Banks have to be professionalised while maintaining accountability. A bad bank is not going to solve the problem and it is better to start privatising weak banks. The government has to look at regulatory structures more seriously while distancing itself from the banking system.

Is the time tough for the banking sector?

Non-performing assets of public sector banks are expected to go up to around 16 per cent. It is known that 40 per cent of bank deposits go for priority lending, 18 per cent to statutory liquidity ratio and 3 per cent for Cash Reserve Ratio. With the remaining limited resources available for lending, banks will have 16 per cent NPAs. There is some relief now because of the postponement of regulatory forbearance in terms of moratorium, restructuring and other measures. But once the moratorium ends, the problem will strike and a large number of bankruptcies will be reported. Many small, medium and vulnerable sectors will go bust and banks will lose heavily. Whose money is it? It is the poor depositor's money.

Ministers haggling for portfolios does not augur well for the government by way of investor confidence

M Govinda Rao, 14th National Finance Commission member

The state's share of funds from the Centre has come down. Tax revenue collections in the state have been sluggish. What do you foresee for the state?

We don't know what the tax devolution will be because the finance commission report has been submitted and it will be presented before Parliament on Monday. According to the report, there is a cut of about 42 per cent. We don't know whether they have cut down on tax devolution. The first finance commission report resulted in a big loss of revenue for Karnataka. It was less by the finance commission's own estimate by about Rs 4800 crore. The Finance Commission announced a special grant for Karnataka, but it was not accepted by the government.

Is it going to be a tightrope walk for Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa this time?

It is going to be a challenge for all... for the entire country.

Is this the worst that could be expected?

In the 14th Finance Commission, we took the percentage of forest cover of Karnataka as a yardstick for devolution which benefitted Karnataka greatly. The per capita income in Karnataka has increased much faster and that is hurting the state. The Chief Secretary had asked me for help, and a draft copy of the new memorandum was sent to me, which I vetted and sent back. I wrote a detailed letter to the Chief Secretary asking him to tell the government that it is not done. In the history of the Finance Commission, grants given under Article 275 has never been rejected.

Bengaluru and Karnataka which were 'investment-friendly' and ranked second some 20 years ago came down to 17 recently.

Ministers haggling for portfolios does not augur well for the government by way of investor confidence. It is not good when ministers talk about politics instead of doing good. There has to be a focused approach on how to create a business-friendly atmosphere.

Farmer groups are protesting and how will this be a challenge to the government?

Farmer protests are a major issue only in Delhi and Punjab. Punjab and Haryana farmers are the biggest beneficiaries of minimum support price. The government has managed the Republic Day violence cleverly, and it has substantially taken away the goodwill enjoyed by farmers. It has also given the government the leverage to counter farmers. I feel farmer protests will not last long and it will not be a major issue for the government.

MSMEs pin hope on budget for GST cut

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THE Union Budget to be presented on February 1 is being watched with a lot of expectation, especially in the backdrop of Covid-19 pandemic, and its impact on the economy.

While the MSME sector hopes for a cut in GST, automobile manufacturing industry wants an impetus to the commercial vehicles segment and credit growth. "We hope for a cut in GST for MSME sector, incentives for timely filing of GST returns, and faster GST refunds as this has a direct bearing on working capital available to them," said K B Arasappa, president, Karnataka Small Scale Industries Association, and chairman, Joint Action Committee, Southern Region.

New requirements like compulsory payment of 1 per cent of GST liability in cash wherever monthly taxable sales are more than ₹50 lakh and which cannot be set off against input tax credit, will not only increase compliance costs and time but also give rise to harassment. To attract a chunk of manufacturing projects moving out of China, the budget should announce a competitive tariff structure that favours import of raw material over import of finished goods, he said and added that to beat the economic slide, there should be a cut in corporate taxes and more labour law reforms.

Kamal Bali, past chairman, CII Karnataka and president and MD, Volvo Group India, said they are expecting an announcement on scrappage policy for replacement of old vehicles. This will give a boost to the commercial vehicles segment, Bali said.

Anil Kumar, convener, CII Karnataka Manufacturing, president and MD, SEG Automotive, said that the budget should focus on pushing consumption through enhanced liquidity among the working class, enhanced demand in key sectors and promoting investment for Atmanirbhar Bharat projects through special incentives for enhanced competitiveness.

Sandeep Maini, past chairman, CII Karnataka, said that the US and European governments have funded aerospace and defence sector to revive from the impact of Covid-19. Similar stimuli are expected in the budget for Indian A&D Sector too as such measures would help India, he added.

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KB Arasappa, president, Karnataka Small Scale Industries Association and chairman, JAC, Southern Region

ON THE MAP

Vijayanagar district to be a reality on Feb 5?

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR
@Ballari

FINALLY, three months after announcing Vijayanagar as the 31st district of the state, it will officially become a reality on February 5. Despite opposition from large sections for dividing Ballari district, the State Government is going ahead with the plan.

As the government delayed taking necessary steps for the bifurcation of Ballari district to carve out a new district, speculation was rife among the public that the government was not serious about Vijayanagar district.

As those opposed to bifurcation mounted pressure and sent 30,000 objection letters to the government in a day, there was some loss of confidence among the pro-division groups. That was when district in-charge minister Anand Singh took up the matter with Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, sources said.

At a recent meeting held in Bangaluru, the chief minister is said to have asked Singh to fix a date for the formal announcement of the new district and Singh has chosen February 5. Verifying of objection letters sent to the government is a different topic and the cabinet will take note of it. Soon, people will celebrate formation of the new district, sources said.

Hampi will be part of the new Vijayanagar district

Nagaraj B, a social activist from Ballari, said," The state knows why we are opposing the bifurcation of Ballari district. If the government has already intended to announce the new district, why it sought objections from the public. We have planned to appeal the move before the court."

IT'S A KRISHI-DARSHAN TANGO

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AT a time when the Central and State governments are facing flak from farmers over the farm laws, the Karnataka Agriculture Department is getting 'Challenging Star' Darshan on board to inspire wannabe farmers to take up farming.

Darshan, who is himself into farming, said he will try to create awareness about the government programmes that will benefit farmers and try to bridge the gap between farmers and the department.

After Agriculture Minister B C Patil took the initiative, the actor agreed to be the ambassador for the department's programmes without taking any remuneration from the government. The process was formally set in motion on Saturday as the Agriculture Commissioner wrote to the Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Department, requesting issuing an order appointing the actor as the department's ambassador. "Many educated youngsters are not taking up agriculture and are migrating to the cities looking for work. We need to create awareness among the youngsters about agriculture and how it can be profitable. As ambassador, Darshan will be able to inspire many youngsters to take up farming and also boost the self-esteem among farmers," said minister Patil, who himself is an actor-turned-politician. Patil said when he first proposed the idea to the actor, he readily accepted and agreed to work with them to help farmers.

Sources in the agriculture department said the decision to request the actor to be the ambassador had nothing to do with the current developments related to farmers' protests.

'Farmers not responsible for violence in Delhi'

Congress leader and former CM Siddaramaiah addresses farmers, who are on a protest, at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHRIRAM BN

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MEMBERS of farmers associations staged a protest in Bengaluru and several places across the state on Saturday in support of farmer leaders who are protesting in New Delhi's borders. Addressing the protestors at Freedom Park here, Farmer leader Kodihalli Chandrashekar said farmers were not responsible for violence in Delhi during the protest on January 26 and that the Centre must consider their demand for repealing the new farm laws.

Congress leader Siddaramaiah, who visited Freedom Park to extend support to the protest, accused the Central government of using anti-social elements to derail the farmers' agitation.

Farmers sing bhajans at Belagavi protest

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FARMERS under the banner of Bharatiya Krishik Samaj and Karnataka State Farmers' Association, Hasiru Sene and various Dalit organisations staged a unique protest by chanting bhajans on the premises of the Deputy Commissioner's office in support of the farmers protesting in Delhi. They urged the Union and state governments not to take anti- farmers' stand.

The agitators also observed a fast from 10 am to 4 pm.

Farmer leader Sidagouda Modagi, said, "The Centre is trying to create problems to the citizens by bringing anti-farmers, anti-labour and anti-people policies."

Planning Board bats for PPP model

ENS@Bengaluru

THE Karnataka State Planning Board has recommended to various government departments to take up works under a public-private-partnership model.

Board Vice Chairman B J Puttasamy said basic amenities in hospitals, schools and colleges, tourism sector, harbours , social welfare department hostels can be taken under the PPP model.

Speaking to reporters on Saturday, Puttaswamy said that the government has developed "Akanksha" software which will help firms and departments to coordinate to take up works under CSR Fund. "Companies will be allowed to get the list online and select the work they want to take up," he said.

On agriculture, Puttaswamy suggested that the State lay emphasis on women farmers as well as encourage youths to take up farming. The State should train youths in agriculture. Farmers should be considered as agripreneurs, he said. He said they have proposed to stress on one crop, one Panchayat which will reduce the migration of villagers.

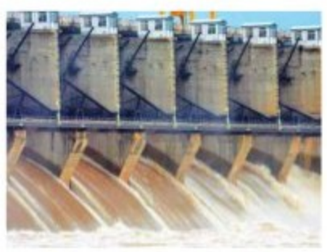
TROUBLE BREWING

Will border row leave parts of N K'taka thirsty?

MAHESH M GOUDAR @Bagalkot

WITH Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray raking up the border dispute with Karnataka once again, there is a concern in some quarters that this could lead to a "water war" between the two states.

For decades, parts of North Karnataka (Bagalkot, Vijayapura, Belagavi, Yadgir and Raichur) have been dependent on Maharashtra to quench their thirst during summer. Maharashtra releases water from the Koyna Dam into the Krishna river which then flows into Karnataka. The state has paid Maharashtra close to ₹20 crore for water till 2016.



In 2016, Maharashtra demanded an MoU on water-to-water exchange between the two states and since then it has stopped accepting payments made by Karnataka. "Talks are underway between the two states to study the proposal made by Mahrashtra," said an official source.Though there have been negotiations between the two states to solve the water row in the past, the talks reached a deadlock in 2019. However, the situation of seeking water from Mahrashtra will not arise this summer as reservoirs in the Krishna basin in Karnataka — like in the past two years — have sufficient water because of good rains last year. H Suresh, Chief Engineer, Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited, said, "At present, there is no shortage of water.. We might not see any water crisis in the ensuing summer months too."

Stressing on the need to find a solution to the water issue, activist Ashok Chandaragi said, "The water dispute between the two states is on for the last six decades. The governments of Maharashtra and Karnataka should join hands to address the issue. Both the states have a good relationship, except for the border row. The border dispute should not become a hurdle while negotiating water dispute."

"There is a very slim chance of Maharashtra indulging in water politics over the border row as they also need water from Karnataka during summer. However, the state government should act wisely while dealing with Uddhav Thackeray," he cautioned.

'Need minister for boundary dispute'

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @Belagavi

TO counter the Maharashtra government, which has raked up the boundary dispute issue, several Kannada organisations and leaders appealed to Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa to immediately name a minister for boundary dispute, besides filing a case of contempt of court before the Supreme Court against Maharashtra.

Saamna, the mouthpiece of Shiv Sena — the ruling party in Maharashtra, in its Friday edition slammed Deputy CM Laxman Savadi for demanding the merger of Mumbai with Karnataka. It called Savadi "mentally deranged" and said he should know the history of border areas and the struggle for unification of different areas before issuing such statements.

Ashok Chandargi, chairman, Action Committee of Kannada Organisations, said, "Given the statements by Maharashtra on the boundary dispute, which is pending before the SC, the State Government should file a contempt petition before the Apex court." He has written to Yediyurappa urging him to name Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai as minister for boundary dispute as he is well versed with related issues. Legal experts, including advocate Ravindra Totiger, have suggested to the government to bolster its legal team in Delhi to take up the boundary dispute case in the SC effectively. They have said that the CM should take it seriously as Maharashtra has initiated measures to fight the case.

Sources said Maharashtra CM Uddhav Thackeray is upset with the absence of BJP leaders, mainly former CM Devendra Fadnavis, during the release of a book on boundary row in Mumbai on Wednesday. "He wanted to send a strong message to Karnataka that all parties are united in the issue. But none of the BJP leaders turned up," they added.

Also, there was no reaction from BJP leaders from Maharashtra to Savadi's statement.

The Cyber crime police of South East Division on Saturday arrested a 21-year-old student for uploading child pornography on social media. The arrested, Daniel Bright, a resident of HSR Layout, is final year BBA student at a private college. The police are investigating how he managed to get obscene video clips of children

Adhere to deadline for dept probe: HC

Says govt missing 9-month period deprives accused employees of service and terminal benefits

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THE Karnataka High Court has directed the State Government and all its agencies to adhere to the nine-month timeline to complete departmental inquiries, including those entrusted to the Lokayukta, in terms of Rule 14-A of the Karnataka Civil Service (CCA) Rules.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order while allowing a petition filed by B S Ramaswamy, 65-years-old from Mysuru, who challenged the de novo inquiry ordered against him by the appointment of a new inquiry officer on the same charge sheet that was issued earlier. While he was working as First Division Assistant in 1996 in Mysore Urban Development Authority (MUDA), disciplinary inquiry was ordered against him in 2003 owing to certain alleged omissions and commissions.

IN THE HC

It is further observed that the government issued an official memorandum dated June 28, 2001, capping the time limit for conclusion of an inquiry on its initiation to nine months, the court said.

"This court notices with pain that in umpteen number of cases where disciplinary proceedings are initiated by issuance of charge sheet and are not concluded within reasonable time, the employee against whom proceedings are pending is always kept on the tenterhooks and denied service and terminal benefits," the court observed while imposing cost of Rs 25,000 on the government.

If the MUDA cannot prove the allegations levelled against the petitioner in an inquiry that protracted for 13-long years, it will be unjust and unfair to put the employee through the rigmarole of conduct of disciplinary proceedings, all over again, especially since the petitioner retired many years ago, the court said.

The petitioner retired on January 31, 2012.

The court said that the cost of Rs Rs 25,000 is to be paid to the petitioner and that he is entitled to all the benefits. Hence, MUDA should release all terminal benefits to the petitioner on his retirement, with 6 per cent interest. The petitioner is entitled to notional promotion, if any, withheld on account of pendency of the proceedings, the court said, while directing to send the copy of this order to the Secretary, Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms.

Meat stalls open on Sarvodaya Day despite Palike order may face action

MANJU SHETTAR @Bengaluru

SEVERAL meat shops in the city, which had remained open despite orders from the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) to shut shop on the occasion of Sarvodaya Day (Martyrs' Day), are likely to face action from the civic body.

The BBMP had issued a circular on Friday ordering the closure of all slaughterhouses and sale of meat on January 30 as part of Sarvodaya Day, to mark the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Sale as well as slaughter was prohibited across the City and state on Saturday, the BBMP order said.

However, The New Indian Express noticed that several meat shops — including those who slaughter and hang the meat on hooks for sale — remained open across the city. A senior police official also said that they had a meeting with the meat sellers and told them not to open shops as a mark of respect for Mahatma Gandhi.

Interestingly, a meat shop owner in Shivaji Nagar, Sikandar M, told TNIE, "We had taken permission and thus our shop was open. Neither police nor the BBMP approached me to ask me to close the shop." Several meat stall owners said they had not received any such orders. A senior police officer to whose notice this was brought, said, "If it comes to our notice that they were selling meat, action will be taken after discussing with our superiors."

A meat shop that was open on Sarvodaya Day in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

A police official attached to the jurisdiction of Vyalikaval where several shops were openly selling meat, said that his police station had not received any circular from any department.

However, BBMP Commissioner N Manjunath Prasad was shocked to learn that many slaughterhouses and meat stalls had remained open, despite the orders and circular being issued.

He said instructions will be issued to zonal health officials to check and action will be taken against all those who violated the rules on January 30. "It is not acceptable for people to say that they were unaware as the orders were issued and made available to all," he said.

OUT OF CONTROL

Police cane MLA's men over protest

BENGALURU: Tension gripped the Hosakote police station area on Saturday afternoon after supporters of Hosakote MLA Sharath Bachegowda staged a protest outside the station, alleging that their leader was "sidelined" during the foundation stone-laying ceremony of development work launched by minister MTB Nagaraj in the area.

The police tried to disperse the agitators and resorted to canning after the situation went out of control. Later, the supporters met the IGP to complain against the DySP who ordered the lathi-charge.

Following this, Bachegowda, along with his supporters, marched from his office to the police station, demanding immediate action against the policemen. Bachegowda met Superintendent of Police Ravi D Channannavar and explained the situation to him, stating that his supporters were canned unnecessarily.

Later, minister Nagarajleft the area. *ENS*

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NOTIFICATION
Appointment of Medical Consultant on contract basis

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Age as on 01.12.2020	Less than 40 Years.
Educational Qualification	MBBS.
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Other Conditions	1. To facilitate HESCOM employees for advanced medical consultancy, he must inform time, place and telephone numbers of clinic and/or home in advance. 2. He must visit the HESCOM Head Office, Hubli for 3 days in a week from 2.30p.m. to 5.30p.m. and countersign the medical bills after careful examination. He should also issue necessary medical certificate to the HESCOM employees on demand. 3. He should also give suitable treatment to the employees in their home who are suffering from chronic diseases which are identified by the HESCOM from time to time. 4. HESCOM reserve the right to continue or discontinue the services of Medical Consultant at any point of time. 5. Any other conditions which are not included above may be included by detailed discussion with the candidates.

The short listed candidates will be called for discussion at the HESCOM Corporate Office, Navanagar, Hubli and final selection will be made on the basis of outcome in the discussion. Interested candidates may send their structured bio-data with supporting documents to the under signed within 07 days from the date of notification.
The General Manager (Admin & HRD),
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No. KSICPS/S.C-15/2020-21 Date: 30-01-2021

NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited for Chairperson and members of Child Welfare Committees (CWC) and members of Juvenile Justice Boards (JJB) for 13 Districts (Ramanagar, Shivamogga, Kolar, Bengaluru Rural, Chikkaballapura, Chamarajanagar, Mandya, Mysore, Kodagu, Dakshina Kannada, Hassan, Vijayapura and Gadag) as follows

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Name of the Institution	No. of the Institutions	Details of the posts for which applications are invited
1	13 Districts	Child Welfare Committee	13 CWCs	**Each CWC** Chairperson - 1 post Members - 4 posts
2	13 Districts	Juvenile Justice Board	13 JJBs	**Each Juvenile Justice Board** Members - 2 posts

Applications are invited from eligible persons for the above 13 Districts for the Chairperson and Members of Child Welfare Committees (CWC) and members of Juvenile Justice Boards (JJB) for the tenure of 3 years from 2021 to 2023 under the provisions of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016. The prescribed Separate application formats for CWC and JJB (Applications are in both Kannada and English), instructions and affidavit details are available on the Directorate Website: **www.icps.karnataka.gov.in.** If applicant wants to apply for both CWC and JJB, then **separate applications** for CWC and JJB must be submitted **in duplicate. Otherwise if applicant is submitting either only for CWC or only for JJB then only that particular application must be submitted in duplicate** through Registered Post (RPAD) or in person **on or before 15-02-2021, 5.30 PM** to the above mentioned address.
For more details contact **District Child Protection Officer, District Child Protection Units** (DCPU) of the respective districts and send any more queries to the Directorate **E -mail: icps.kar@gmail.com.** For addresses and phone numbers of DCPU, CWC and JJB **visit above mentioned website.**

Sd/- Director,
Directorate of Child Protection and Member Secretary,
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I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Narayanaswamy and others** has been filed the petition for the death certificate of deceased **Muniyamma W/o. Late Chikkakempanna** who was died on 17-02-2012 at Papanahalli Village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could appear before the Principle Civil Judge & J.M.F.C. **At Devanahalli** on **date of hearing on 24/02/2021** at 11.00 A.M. In **C. Misc. No. 3/2021.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
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APPENDIX-IV A
[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
e-AUCTION ON 01-03-2021
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

e-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **01-03-2021** for recovery of **Rs. 3,20,409/-** (Rupees three lakhs twenty thousand four hundred nine only) as on 28-01-2021 + interest + Cost and expenses. costs, charges, etc. and further interest at contractual rate from 29-01-2021 & expenses thereon, with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from **Sri. Manjesha M. S/o. Sri. Manchaiah.**

Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Last Date for Submission of EMD
Rs.1,48,31,000/-	Rs.14,83,100/-	Rs.1,50,000/-	on or before 26.02.2021- 4.00 P.M.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WITH KNOWN ENCUMBERANCES (IF ANY)

Tender No. SBI/RACPC/B'GUDI/2020-21/:
All that piece and parcel of the site bearing No. 826 in Layout formed by BDA situated at Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, 9th Block, now comes under Rajajeshwari Nagar Municipal Council, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru measuring East to West 18.20 mts. and North to South 12.20 mts., standing in the name of Sri. Manjesha M. S/o. Sri. Manchaiah.
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Date: 30.01.2021 **Sd/-**
Place: Bengaluru **(Lokesh)**
Authorised Officer

Government of Karnataka
Hampi World Heritage Area Management Authority,
Near Ambedkar Circle, Hampi Road, Kamalapur IB, Kamalapura - 583221, Hosapete (Tq),
Email:hwhama@gmail.com Tel Ph:08394-241661
Website:hwhama.tpa.gov.in

No:HWHAMA/Hpt/39/2020-21 Date:30-01-2021

Public Notification
(As per KTCP Act 1961 section 14(A)(1)(C))

Notice is hereby issued to public that Sri.V.S.Noorula Shah Khadri S/o.V.S.Peerapashah, Kamalapura is applied for change of land use from Agriculture use to Commercial use for land bearing Sy.No.1206/3 extent 6.00 Acres of Kamalapura village, Hosapete taluk, Ballari District. The above said land is in Agriculture zone of approved master plan.

The proposed land is attached to 15.0 meter Major District road. Further the applicant has submitted that the change of land use from Agriculture to Commercial (Gold Resort) use for construction of Resort for tourists and there is a possibility to provide employment to Local persons of the area, there is a public interest in this proposal.

Therefore public are hereby informed to file objections/ suggestions if any for this proposal within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication in person or by registered post to the under signed. Delayed objections/suggestions will not be considered.

Sd/- Commissioner, Hampi World Heritage Area Management Authority, Hosapete
DIPR/Ballari/312/MCA/2020-21

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SALE PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULES 38, 52[2] OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS AND BANKRUPTCY ACT 1993

TRC No.395/2018 IN T.A.No.1722/2017 (OA No.928/2014)

Between :
United Bank of India (now Punjab National Bank) and M/s Rai shakti steel Industries Pvt Ltd
To : **(1). M/s Rai Shakti Steel Industries Private Ltd** (formerly known as Shakthi industries) a private Limited company registered under companies Act, 1956 having its registered office at No.37 A, Jigani industrial area, Road No.3, Anekal, Bangalore - 560 105. **(2). Mr Radheshyam Rai, S/o Kanhai Rai (Director of M/s Rai Shakti steel Industries Pvt Ltd & Guarantor), (3). Mrs. Dhoopa Devi Rai,W/o Late Rampher Rai (Guarantor) and (4) Mr. Krishna Murali Rai, S/o Kanhai Rai.** Defendants No (2) to (4) are residing at No.686/2, 16th D Main, HAL II stage, Near Rotary Club, Indira Nagar, Bangalore - 560 008.
The under mentioned property will be sold by **"Online Electronic Bidding"** through the website: **http://drt.auctiontiger.net** on **03 March 2021 between 11.00 AM to 11.30 AM** for recovery of an amount of **Rs.5,23,58,898.42 (Rupees Five Crore Twenty Three Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Eight and Paise Forty Two Only)** including cost and interest there on as on 30.11.2020 till realization of debt as per recovery certificate bearing TRC No 395/2018 in TA No.1722/2017 (OA No.928/2014 in DRT 1 Bengaluru)

Date and Time of E-Auction	03 March 2021 Between 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM.
Last date and time for bids/tender submission	01 March 2021 within 15:00 Hrs (3 PM)
Reserve Price	**Rs. 5,86,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crore Eighty Six Lakh Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit(EMD)	**Rs. 58,60,000/- (Rupees Fifty Eight Lakh Sixty Thousand Only)**
Bid increment amount	Rs.100,000.00 (Rupees One Lakh only)

Schedule of property : All that piece and parcel of immovable property measuring 4045 sq metres situated at No.37 A in survey No 126 and 130, in Industrial area of Jigani west, Jignai Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District standing in the name of Shri. Radheshyam Rai along with easementary rights of way and land appurtenant thereto and the apartment building situated therein land bounded as under :

S No.	Survey No.	Measurement	Boundary as per Recovery Certificate		Boundary as per Sale deed/title deed	
1	126 and 130	4045 Square Meters	East by	Plot No.37B	East by	Plot No.34
			West by	Road	West by	Road
			North by	Plot No.34	North by	Plot No.37B
			South by	Plot No.36 A and 36 C	South by	Plot No.36 A and 36 C

For Terms and conditions of sale-visit website : http://drt.auctiontiger.net, of M/s. e-Procurement Technologies Ltd, (Auction Tiger) Ahmedabad Contact No. 079-40230810 to 40230827. Email Id- Karnataka@auctiontiger.net or support@auctiontiger.net, Contact person - Mr Pravin Devar - Mobile No.9722778828.

The present sale is subject to the outcome of Writ Petition No. 5842 of 2020 (GM-DRT) pending before The Honorable High court of Karnataka at Bengaluru. For further details contact Mr.S R Madhukar, Assistant General Manager, Punjab National Bank, SASTRA centre, Bangalore East Circle, No.26-27, MG Road, Raheja towers, I Floor ,Bangalore-560001. Contact Mobile : 9632788227

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this the **29th day of January 2021.**

Sd/-
Recovery Officer II, DRT II, Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCUMENT LOSS (Lost of Sale Deed)

My client, **Gowramma**, W/o. M. Bhaskar, aged about 42 years, residing at No. 174, Thubarahalli, Varthur Hobli, Whitefield Post, Bengaluru-560 066 do hereby inform to the General Public that my client is the absolute owner of the property bearing Site No. 131 as per form No. 9 and 11 Sl. No. 150, Assessment No. 33/4 property No. 131, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 1200 square feet situated at Chikkanekkundi Village, Neriga Panchayath, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District and bounded on East by : Site No. 130, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Site No. 132 and my client has acquired the same through registered sale deed dated 20.08.2018 vide Document No. SRJ-1-02189/2018-19 of Book-I, stored in C.D. No. SRJD 262 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Basavanagudi (Sarjapura), Bengaluru. My client has lost the above said original sale deed while she was travelling in bus from Tubarahalli to Varthur. After that inspite of best effort to search, she could not trace out the same. In this regard on 29.01.2021 my client had lodged police complaint at Varthur Police Station vide Reference No. SHD No. 37/2021. If anybody finds the above said document please inform to Gowramma, Mobile No 9740010980 or to my below mentioned address.

A.S. Sridhara Murthy, Advocate
No. 223, Royal Gardenia Layout,
Bommasandra, Bengaluru-560 099.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Dr. Vishnu Rao Bapat,** S/o Sri Vinayaka Rao Bapat is the allottee and occupant of the Residential Flat more fully described in the Schedule having acquired it under a Certificate of Allotment dated 15/11/2013 issued by LICHFL Care Homes Limited.

My client states that he has misplaced/lost the Certificate of Allotment dated 15/11/2013 issued by LICHFL Care Homes Limited, irretrievably. Further, he has lodged an online complaint on 13.01.2021 with Crime Branch Bengaluru City Police regarding the loss of documents.

If anyone finds the above documents, or if anyone is having this document in their custody, the same may be handed over to the undersigned within Ten days from the date of publication of this Public Notice.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT PART AND PARCEL of the immoveable residential flat bearing No. D-108, in LICHFL Care Homes Limited Campus, carved in Sy No. 25/1, 25/2 and 26 situated at Madanayakanahalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Off Tumkur Road, Nelamanagala Taluk, Bangalore North – 562162 admeasuring 1555 Sq feet, with super built up area.

AISHWARYA P. KUMAR, Advocate
A-34, V.K. Residency, Dr. Shivarama
Karanth Road, Chikkallasandra,
Bangalore-61. Mob : 9620301936.
Dated: 30.01.2021.

ITEM NO.12 Court 3 (Video Conferencing) SECTION X

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Miscellaneous Application **No. 133/2021** in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015
(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 18-01-2016 in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015 passed by the Supreme Court Of India)

ASHISH RANJAN Petitioner(s) **VERSUS**
UNION OF INDIA Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.5630/2021-EXTENSION OF TIME)

WITH

MA 145/2021 in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015 (X)
(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.8550/2021-CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION)
MA 146/2021 in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015 (X)
(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.9283/2021-INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT and IA No.8986/2021-APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS)
MA 147/2021 in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015 (X)
(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.9489/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT and IA No.9488/2021-APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS)
MA 152/2021 in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015 (X)
(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.9789/2021-INTERVENTION APPLICATION and IA No.9793/2021-APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS and IA No.9788/2021-APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION)

Date : 28-01-2021 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROHINTON FALI NARIMAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVIN SINHA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.M. JOSEPH

ORDER

M.A. NO. 133 OF 2021 in W. P. (C) No. 76 OF 2015:

Heard the learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant.

Time for admission in Under Graduate Medical Course for the academic session 2020-21 is extended by a period of one week from today.

Miscellaneous Application stands allowed.

MA NO. 145/2021, MA NO. 147/2021 & MA NO. 152/2021 in W.P.(C) No. 76/2015:

Permission to file intervention is granted. Application for intervention is allowed.

Heard the learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant.

Time for admission in Super Specialty Medical Course for the academic session 2020-21 is extended till 08.02.2021.

Miscellaneous Applications stand allowed.

M.A. NO. 146 OF 2021 in W. P. (C) No. 76 OF 2015:

Heard the learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant.

Application for impleadment is allowed.

Time for admission in UG-MBBS Course for the academic session 2020-21 is extended by a period of one week from today.

Miscellaneous Application stands allowed.

Sl. No	Name of the College	Vacant Seat after 15-01-21, 11.59PM
1	Akash Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre, Bangalore	30
2	Kempegowda Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore	6
3	Vydehi Institute of Medical Science and Research Centre, Bangalore	2
4	SDM College of Medical Sciences and Hospital, Dharwad	1
5	Navodaya Medical College, Raichur	1
6	K.Venkataramana Gowda Medical College and Hospital, Mangalore	4
7	Srinivasa Institute of Medical Research Center, Mangalore	8
8	BGS Global Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore	5
9	The Oxford Medical College Hospital and Research Center, Bangalore	22
10	Kanachur Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre, Mangalore	2
11	East Point College of Medical Sciences and Research Center, Bangalore	14
12	Dr. Chandramma Dayananda Sagar Institute of Medical Education & Research,Harohalli	10
	Medical Total	**105**

(R. NATARAJAN) (NISHA TRIPATHI)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS BRANCH OFFICER

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to purchase the property described in the schedule, from its owner **SRI T.R. NARAHARI, S/o LATE RAMAIAH T.R. @ T.R. KAPNIPATAYYA,** aged About 72 Years, Aadhaar NO.3381 1080 5516. Pan NO.ABOPN1989L.R/AT. NO. 786, 6TH BLOCK 17TH F 2ND MAIN ROAD, KORAMANGALA BANGALORE-95. AT PRESENT NO.2263. 16th CROSS, 21ST A MAIN, HSR LAYOUT, 1ST SECTOR, BANGALORE-560102.

Any person/s or any organization or Financial Institute. Asserting any rights, claim or charge in the schedule property, having any claim against the property/or its owner/s to such sale in favour of my client should write to the undersigned within **15 DAYS** from this public Notice. With all documentary proof/s on which they are basing and assert their rights over the property there of after which period my clients shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to property.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WESTERN PORTION OF SITE BEARING NO.35. KATHA NO.10.BBMP KATHA NO.10.PID NO.66-77-10, SITUATED AT THAVAREKERE VILLAGE, BEGUR HOBLI, BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK. PROPERTY COMES WITH IN THE LIMITS OF BBMP OLD WARD-66, NEW WARD NO.152, AT PRESENT 9TH CROSS, MARUTHINAGAR, MADIWALA EXTN, BANGALORE. TOTALLY MEASURING 800 SQ FEET. EAST TO WEST 20 FEET, NORTH TO SOUTH 40 FEET.

BOUNDED ON :- EAST BY : REMAINING PORTION OF THE SAME SITE NO.35. WEST BY : PRIVATE PROPERTY. NORTH BY : ROAD AT PRESENT 8TH CROSS ROAD. SOUTH BY : ROAD AT PRESENT 9TH CROSS ROAD.

S. RASHEED SAB, Advocate
No. 31, 6th Cross, Balajinagar DRC Post,
Bangalore-29. Mobile : 09448569509,
9740893190. Dated 30.01.2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is hereby informed that our clients have intended to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its owners **MR. RAGHAVENDRA .H.A,** S/o Ananthaiah H. S, and **MRS. BRUNDA M** W/o Mr. Raghavendra .H.A, both residing at No.24, "Brundavana", 7th Cross, near Sakshi Mahaganapathi Temple, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Bangalore- 560024 (Owners). Owners represent that they are the absolute owners in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property and have a marketable right, title and interest therein and apart from them there are no person/s having any right, title, claims or interest over the below mentioned Schedule Property.

Any person/s, having any claim, title, interest or right over the below mentioned Schedule Property may lodge their objections or claims in writing with all supporting documentary evidence with regard to such claims with the undersigned within 15 days hereof, failing which, our clients will proceed to complete the aforesaid sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being a vacant residential site, bearing No.24, (formed in Survey No.74 of Dasarahalli Village), having Khata No. 1131/A/999-24(old No. 999), situated at Dasarahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore, South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 square feet together with 1260 square feet, duplex house (Ground floor measuring 750 square feet and first floor measuring 510) constructed thereon with brick walls, RCC roofing, vitrified tiles, jungle wood doors and windows and having water, electricity and sanitary connections, bounded by:

East : 30 feet Road,
West : House List No.60,
North : House List No.25,
South : House List No.23,

K.S. Devaraj, Partner
MD & T Partners-Advocates
No.80, 1st Floor, 6th Main,
16th Cross, Gayathri Devi Park,
Vyalikaval, Bangalore – 560003.
+91 9341-4444-91 / 080-23466529

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, AT BANGALORE CCH No. 31 (XXX ADDL CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE) P & SC: 56/2021

BETWEEN: 1. V. YASHODA, W/o Late N. K. Vijaya Kumar, aged about 54 years, R/at No. 20/1, Doddakatappa Road, Halasuru, Bangalore-560008. **2. K.V. DIVYASHREE MADHU,** D/o Late N. K. Vijaya Kumar and W/o D. Madhu, aged about 29 years, R/at No. 90, 4th Cross, Ramappa Building, Singena playa, Bangalore-560048. **3. K.V. SHIRISH GOWDA,** S/o Late N.K. Vijaya Kumar, aged about 24 years, R/at No. 20/1, Doddakatappa Road, Halasuru, Bangalore-560008 ... **Petitioners**

AND: Nil ...Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named Petitioners have made petition to this court under Section 372 of Indian Succession Act for the grant of Succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioners, in respect of schedule work orders mentioned below. The below mentioned schedule work orders were executed and held by Sri. N. K. Vijaya Kumar (deceased), Husband of Petitioner No.1 and father of Petitioner No.2 and 3 herein, who expired on 15-09-2019.

Vide order dated 20.01.2021 interested parties are hereby called to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **10.03.2021** at 11 a.m. inform to show cause against the Petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as Ex-Parte.

SCHEDULE WORK ORDERS

The schedule work orders undertaken and executed by deceased N.K. Vijay Kumar with respect to garrison engineer (North, South, East, West, central) (GE), Military engineer services, DRDO Complex, CV Raman Nagar, Bangalore-93, and Commander Works engineers (ARMY), Military Engineer Services, 101 Dickenson Road, Bangalore-42.

1) CWE/BAN/39 OF 2017-2018 SPECIAL REPAIRS TO ROAD FROM GOLF JN TO RP JN AT No.1 ASC AND OTHER EXISTING ROADS UNDER GE (CENTRAL) BANGALORE HAVING CA AMOUNT OF RS. 16,92,947/- TOWARDS COMPLETION ON 18 APRIL 2018.

(2) REPAIRS AND RESURFACING OF ROADS UNDER AGE B/R-III OF GE(1) R&D (WEST) BANGALORE BEARING CA NO GE (1) R &D (WEST)/BAN/46 OF 2017-2018 BEARING CA AMOUNT RS. 21,18,111/- TOWARDS COMPLETION ON 7 MARCH 2018.

3) CA NO GE(1) R&D (EAST) /BAN/38 OF 2017-18: SPECIAL REPAIRS TO ROADS AT ADE AND DARE, BANGALORE FOR RS. 30,81,810, TOWARDS COMPLETION ON 06 APRIL 2018.

4) CA NO GE(1) R&D(EAST)/BAN/52 OF 2017-18: SPECIAL REPAIR TO ROADS, KERB STONE ROAD, FURNITURE AT CABS AND STIR BANGALORE FOR RS. 20,93,940/- COMPLETION ON 06 FEBRUARY 2018.

5) CA NO: CWE/BAN/N/10 OF 2018-2019 SPECIAL REPAIRS (ROAD) TO INTERNAL ROADS IN IWMT & MT AREA ALONG WITH REPAIR TO BERMS AT CERTAIN LOCS OF MEG & CENTRE UNDER GE(NORTH) BANGALORE FOR RS. 8,96,461/-.

6. CA NO: CWE/BAN/N/59 OF 2017-2018 SPL REPAIR TO INTERNAL ROADS OF MEANEE LINES MD ACCN AT MEG AND CENTRE UNDER GE (NORTH) BANGALORE FOR RS .9,88,836/-

7. CA NO: CWE/BAN/N/53 OF 2017-2018 SPL REPAIR (ROAD) AT 10 ASSAM MD ACCN RC LINE UNDER GE (NORTH) BANGALORE FOR RS. 8,04,390/-.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 27.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Address for Service:
ASM LAW PARTNERS
Advocate & Solicitors
No.94/1-2, 1st Floor, Infantry Road,
Bengaluru-560001.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public/s that my client **Smt. T.P. Kalpana D/o Late. Puttaswamy Gowda and Shivamma** W/o Sri. K.R. Manjunatha, major in age, r/at C/o No. 79/30, Y.P. Somashekar, K.H.B. Colony, 1st Main, Mahadeshwarangara, Near Akshaya School, Channapattana Town & Taluk, Ramangara District is the only daughter of Late. Puttaswamy Gowda and Shivamma, the Late. Puttaswamy Gowda father of my client had acquired various lands under Panchaythi Parikath dated: 06-12-1966 in (1) Sy. No. 6, measuring 1 Acre 5 Guntas, bounded on East by: Property of Kempegowda and Katte, West by; Chennegowda's Property, North by: Property of Mollegowda's Lingegowda, South by: Property of Kalasegowda, (2) Sy. No. 9/1, 2, 10/1, 2, measuring 32 Guntas out of 2 Acres 15 ½ Guntas bounded on East by Lingegowda's Property, West by: Property of Maridevegowda, North by: Property of Munigowda and South by: Road, (3) Sy.No. 41/1, measuring 1 Acre 2 Guntas bounded on East by: Property of Channegowda, West by: Halla, North by Property of Kempegowda and South by: Paare Doddi Road, (4) Sy. No. 65/1, 2, measuring 1 Acre 7 Guntas out of 3 Acre 22 Guntas bounded on East by: Attiguppe Gadi, West By: Halla, North by: Halla and South by: Halla, (5) Sy. No. 67, 68 & 69, measuring 39½ out of 2 Acres 38½ Guntas bounded on East by: Boije Halla, West by; Property of Chikka Aaidegoowda, North by; Property of Buddananjegowda, South by: Property of Kempegowda (6) Sy. No. 84/1, measuring 1 Acre 37 Guntas, bounded on East by; Property of Eregowda, West by; Property of Javaraayigowda, North by: Property of Kaleeregowda and South by: Halla, (7) Sy. No. 37/1B, 37/2 measuring 28 ½ Guntas bounded on East by Property of Kullegowda and sons, West by: Property of Shivalingegowda, North by: Property of Shivalingegowda and South by: Attiguppe Gadi (9) Kaneshumari / House list No. 9, bounded on East by: House of Chikkaladegowda, West by: House of Lingegowda, North by; Raja Veedi and South by: Hittalu (Doddaguligowda) and (10) House List / Kaneshumari No. 103 bounded on East by: House of Lakshmamma, West by; House of Kempegowda, North by: Raja Veedi and South by: Hittalu (desigwda), situated Tagachagere Village, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattna Taluk (11) Sy. No. 68 measuring 1 Acre bounded on East by: Property of Boregowda, West by; Property of Late Puttaswamy Gowda /37/ 1B & 37/2, North by; Property of Kullegowda and South by: Property of Kempegowda @ Karigowda, (12) Sy.No. 6, measuring 32 Guntas out of 1 Acre 24 Gunta bounded on East by: Inamati Land, West by: Property of Chikkegowda and others, North by: Property of Lingegowda and South by; property of Kalegowda @ Karigowda, (13) Sy.No. 10/7, measuring 10½ guntas out 21 Gunta bounded on East by: Property of Lingegowda West by: Property of Kempegowda North by: Property of Lingegowda South by: Halla (14) Sy.No. 16/1, 17/1 measuring 13½ Guntas out of 27 Gunta's bounded on East by: Property of Kaalegowda West by: Property of Lingegowda, North by: Road and South by: Property of Chikputtalingaiah situated at Attiguppe Village, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, (15) Sy. No. 44, 45, measuring 1 Acre out of 3 Acres East by: Property of Nagaboraiah, West by: Property of Kumbar's & others, North by: Road and South by; Property of Kempegowda, situated at Neelasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, (16) Sy. No. 71 measuring 1 Acre 30 Guntas out of 3 Acres 20 Guntas bounded on East by: Property of Sotthaiah, West by: Properties of Ramegowda & ors, North by; Properties of Ramegowda & others, South by: Property of Kempegowda @ Chikkoru, situated Shanabanahalli Village, Kasba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk and other properties situated Virupakshipura, Brahmanipura are my client's ancestral and joint family properties. My client heard from the trusted sources, by suppressing the aforesaid ancestral and joint family rights, her relatives are trying to create third party interest and to do development activities, hence General Public's are hereby cautioned/informed that not to indulging in any kind of activities with the above said properties, if anything goes to General Public's are solely liable all the cost and consequences.

G.R. RAVEESHA, Advocate
No.25/1, Anand Nivas, Mezzanine Floor,
3rd Cross, 6th Main, Gandhinagar,
Bangalore - 560 009.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL II - AT BENGALURU
JEEVAN MANGAL Building,
No. 4, 1st Floor, Residency Road,
Bangalore - 560 025.

O.A. No. 917/2017

BETWEEN
CANARA BANK

..... APPLICANT

AND

1. Mr. Balakrishna Baliga,
S/o Late Mr. Vasudeva Baliga,
Aged about 58 Years,
Director
M/s. Polybond Organics Pvt Ltd.,
R/at : No. 35, 4th Cross, Doorvanipalya,
Bannerghatta Road,
Bangalore - 560 026.

..... Defendant No.4

2. Mr. B.V. Jagadish Baliga,
S/o Late Mr. Vasudeva Baliga,
Aged about 61 Years,
Director
M/s. Polybond Organics Pvt Ltd.,
Flat No. 101, A Wing
Mahadeva Cooperative Housing Society,
Panch Pakadi Thane-West,
Mumbai, Maharashtra

.....Defendant No.5

5. Mr. N. Pavan Ram,
S/o Late Mr. Vasudeva Baliga,
Aged about 68 years,
Director
M/s. Polybond Organics Pvt Ltd.,
R/at: No. 1267, BTM Layout,
Bengaluru - 560 076.

.....Defendant No.7

6. M/s. Polybond Products
Partnership Firm, (Represented by its Managing Partner,
Mr. Harish,
S/o Late Mr. Vasudeva Baliga,
Aged about 54 years
Director,
M/s. Polybond Organics Pvt Ltd.,
R/at: No. 35, 4th Cross,
Doorvanipalya, Bannerghatta Road,
Bengaluru - 560 026.

.....Defendant No.8

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act. 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs. 28,22,14,841.81** (Rupees Twenty Eight Crores Twenty Two Lakhs Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty one and paise eighty one only) together with current and future interest and for other relief's. The above Defendants are therefore, hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **14/04/2021** at **at 10.30 A.M.** as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **29th day of January 2021**

By order of the Tribunal Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal,
Bangalore.

PHOENIX ARC PRIVATE LIMITED

REGISTERED OFFICE: 5TH FLOOR, DANI CORPORATE PARK, 158, C.S.T ROAD, KALINA, SANTACRUZ (E), MUMBAI -400098

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **M/s. Phoenix ARC Pvt Ltd (acting as a Trustee of Phoenix Trust FY 20-6)** under the securitization and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) read with **rule 3** of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002 issued demand notices to the borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors as detailed hereunder, calling upon the respective borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the said notices within 60 days from the date of receipt of the same. The said borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors and public in general that the authorized officer of the company has taken possession of the property described hereunder in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said act r/w rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned along with. The borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors in particular and public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **M/s. Phoenix ARC Pvt Ltd. (acting as a Trustee of Phoenix Trust FY 20-6)** for the amount specified therein with future interest, costs and charges from the respective dates.Details of the borrowers, co-borrowers, guarantors, properties mortgaged, name of the trust,outstanding dues, demand notices sent under section 13(2) and amounts claimed there under are given as under:

S. NO	Name and Address of the Borrower, Co-borrower, Loan Account No.,Loan Amount	Details Of The Securities	1. Date of possession 2. Demand notice date 3. Amount due in Rs.
1.	**Mr. Goutham.S S/o M R.T. M. Chaugule At :** Flat GC9, C Block, SVS Ramanashree Maples SR Layout, 9th Cross,Chikkabasavanapura, K R Puram, Bangalore 560 036.Email- ssggss42@Hotmail.ComMob: 9008222116.;**Also At:** No.5/1, First Floor,3rd Cross, Near CMR Law CollageChikkabanaswadi Main RoadBengaluru- 560 043 **Also At:**India Syndicate Com Pvt Ltd No 1133 100 Feet Road, Hal 2nd Stage, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560008. **Total Loan Account Number:**404SHL43563509 & 404SHL43559341.**Total Loan Amount Sanctioned:**Rs. 68,09,963/- (Rupees Sixty Eight lakh Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Three only)	All That The Piece And Parcel Of The Residential Three Bedroom Apartment Being Flat Bearing No.Gc9, Measuring 1610 Square Feet Super Builtup Area, Block-C, With Vitrified Flooring On The Ground Floor Of The Building Known As "SVS Ramanasri Maples" With A Undivided Share Of 847 Square Feet, And Two Car Parking In The Stilt, Constructed On Property Bearing BBMP Khata No.1383, New Khata No.1688 Formed Of Converted Land Bearing Sy. No.21/2, 21/3, 21/4, 21/5, 21/6, 21/7, 21/8, 21/9, 21/10 And 21/12 (Converted From Agricultural To Non Agricultural Residential Purpose Vide The Orders Of The Special Deputy Commissioner B.DIS:ALN :(E), SR(KH) : 27/08-09 Dated:02/12/2008) Totally Measuring 1 Acre 33 Guntas Situated At Krishnarajapura Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore. Bounded On the East By:Sy. No.20, West By:Sy. No.22, Road And New Sy. No.21/11 (Old No.21/1),North By:Sy. No. 19,South By:Road And Sy. No.24. **Name Of The Mortgagor:**Mr.Goutham S S/o **MR.T. M. Chaugule**	1) 27.01.2021 2) 27.10.2020 3)Rs. 73,86,713/-(Rupees Seventy Three lakhEighty Six Thousand Seven hundred Thirteen Only)due and payable as of 21.10.2020 with further interest applicable from 22.10.2020alongwith costs and charges until payment in full

Place:Bangalore
Date: 31.01.2021

Authorised officer
For phoenix ARC private limited
(Acting as a trustee of phoenix trust FY 20-6)

For any query please contact Mr. Keerthinath Shankar(+9108061563506) & Mr. Pradeep Kumar (+91080 61563796)

(UNDER RULE 53 OF THE SECOND SCHEDULE OF THE INCOME TAX ACT 1961)
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES (BANKING DIVISION),
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II,BENGALURU
JEEVAN MANGAL BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR,NO-4, RESIDENCY ROAD, BANGALORE-560 025
Dated: 27.01.2021 **FORM No.**22 [See Regulation - 37(1)]
REGISTERED A/D / DASTI / AFFIXATION / BEAT OF DRUM

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SALE PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER-I IN THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2, AT BANGALORE

T.R.C.No.342/2017 IN O.A.No.457/2000

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULES 38, 52(2) OF THE SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS DUE TO BANK AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993

Between: HDFC Bank Ltd

And : M/s Dr.B.M.THIPPESWAMY MEMORIAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND OTHERS

To,

1. **Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy Memorial Educational Institutions,** # 103,6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.
2. **Dr.B.T.Mallikarjuna,** # 103,6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.

Represented by Legal Heirs, Smt B M Pushpalatha, W/o Late B.T.Mallikarjuna R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building, 1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension, Chitradurga-577501

Sri.B M Rahul, S/o Late B.T.Mallikarjuna R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building, 1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension, Chitradurga-577501

Sri B M Nakul, S/o Late B.T.Mallikarjuna R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building,1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension, Chitradurga-577501

3. Smt B M Pushpalatha, W/o Late B.T.Mallikarjuna, # 103, 6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020. : **Certified Debtors Whereas you has/have failed to pay the sum of Rs.1,52,78,510.00 (Rupees One Crore Fifty Two Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ten Only)** payable by you / him in respect of Recovery Certificate in OA.No.457/2000 By the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore and the interest and costs payable as per certificate.

And whereas the undersigned has ordered the sale of property mentioned in the Schedule below in satisfaction of the said certificate.

And whereas there will be due there under a sum **Rs.51,41,63,149.10 (Rupees Fifty One Crore Forty One Lakh Sixty Three Thousand One Hundred Forty Nine and Paise Ten Only)** including costs and interest thereon as on 24-12-2020 along with future interest and costs till realization (Note: Any recovery/amounts paid in respect of the loan, dues lying with DRT, Bangalore or with the certificate Holder Bank, which are recovered by other modes of recovery, shall be adjusted to the loan dues at the time of closure of the cases).

Notice is hereby given that in absence of any order of postponement, the said property shall be sold on **04/03/2021 between 11:30 am to 12:00 noon by e-auction and bidding shall take place through "On line Electronic Bidding" through the website http://www.bankeauctions.com of "M/s. C1 India Pvt Ltd",email Id:karnataka@c1india.com, support@bankeauctions.com, contact person Gangadhara Nayak.Mob:9900711744**

For further detail contact: Mr.Srivathsan Varadhan, Senior Manager, Recovery HDFC Bank Ltd, Department for Special Operations, No.7 & 7/1, Essel Chambers,2nd Floor, Lalbagh Road, Richmond Circle ,Bangalore-560027; Phone/Mobile:-7022570664.

The sale will be of the property of the defendant above named as mentioned in the schedule below and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained, are those specified in the schedule against each lot.

The property will be put up for the sale in the lots specified in the schedule. If the amount to be realized is satisfied by the sale of a portion of the property, the sale shall be immediately stopped with respect to the remainder. The sale also be stopped if, before any lot is knocked down, the arrears mentioned in the said certificate, interest costs (including cost of the sale) are tendered to the officer conducting the sale or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such certificate, interest and costs have been paid to the undersigned.

No officer of other person, having any duty to perform in connection with sale, however, either directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the property sold. The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and the rules made there under and to the further following conditions.

That The Certificate Holder submits that Borrower has not paid the property tax for the mortgage property for a sum of Rs.36,31,408/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Thirty One Thousand Four Hundred Eight only) is due to BBMP including the interest.

The particulars specified in the annexed schedule have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned, but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission in this proclamation.

1. The reserve price below which the properties (schedule mentioned below) shall not be sold is Rs.12,71,34,800/- in respect of properties described in Schedule as A & B.

2. The amount by which the biddings are to be increased shall be Rs.1,00,000/- In the event of any dispute arising as to the amount of bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once be again put up to auction.

3. The Prospective bidders are advised to peruse the copies of title deeds with the bank and verify the latest encumbrance certificate and other Reveune/Municipal records to exercise due diligence and satisfy themselves on the title and encumbrances, if any, over the properties.

4. The highest bidder shall be declared to be the purchaser of any lot provided that further that the amount bid by him is not less than the reserve price. It shall be in the discretion of the undersigned to decline/accept the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make it inadvisable to do so.

5. For participating in e-auction, intending bidders have to deposit a refundable EMD of 10% of Reserve price of the property which shall be Rs.1,27,13,480/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Seven Lakh Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Only) through RTGS/NEFT directly into the current Account No. **6735242318 the name of RECOVERY OFFICER-1, DRT-2 of Indian Bank, Richmond Road, Bengaluru having IFSC Code No.IDIB000R018 on or before 01.03.2021 or by way of DD/pay order in favour of Recovery Officer-1, DRT-II, Bengaluru in O.A.No.457/2000 (TRC.No.342/2017). The intending bidder should submit the quotation along with copy of PAN Card, address proof & ID, E-mail ID,Mobile number and in case of company and the receipt/counterfoil of such deposit/Demand Drafts towards EMD in sealed cover by 3.00 p.m. On 01.03.2021 to Recovery Officer-1, DRT-II, Bengaluru.The sealed cover should be superscribed with Quotation for participation in e-auctionin TRC No.342/2017 in O.A.No.457/2000. The tender forms may be collected from the Bank Office or the office of the DRT. EMD deposited thereafter shall not be considered for participation in e-auction.**

6. The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% of the sale proceeds** after adjustment of EMD on being knocked down by next date i.e. **05.03.2021 by 3:00 P.M. in the said account as per detail mentioned in para 4 above.** If the next day is Holiday or Sunday, then on next first office day.

7. The purchaser shall deposit the balance **75% of the sale proceeds on or before 15th day** from the date of sale of the property, exclusive of such day, or if the **15th day be Sunday or other Holiday,** then on the first office day after the 15th day by prescribed mode as stated in para 3 above. **In addition to the above, the purchaser shall also deposit Poundage Fee with Recovery Officer-1, DRT-II, Bangalore at 2% upto Rs.1000/- and @ 1% of the excess of the said amount of Rs.1000/- through Online by visiting Website:http://www.bharatkosh.gov.in and submit a copy of receipt for verification and record purpose to Recovery Officer-1, DRT-II, Bengaluru.**

8. The Prospective bidder are advised to peruse the copies of title deeds with the Bank and verify the latest Encumbrance Certificate and other Reveune / Municipal records to exercise due diligence and satisfy themselves on the title and encumbrance, if any over the property.

In case of default of payment within the prescribed period, the deposit, after defraying the expenses of the sale, may, if the undersigned thinks fit, shall be forfeited to the Government and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claims to the property or to any part of the sum for which it may subsequently be sold. The property shall be resold, after the issue of fresh proclamation of sale.

The property is being sold on **"AS IS WHEREAS IS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**

The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if found unreasonable or postpone the auction at anytime without assigning any reason.

No of Lots	Description of the property to be sold with the names of the co-owners where the property belongs to defaulter and any other person as co-owners.	Reserve Price/EMD	Revenue assessed upon the property or any part there off	Details of any other encumbrance to which property is liable	Claims, if any, which have been put forward to the property, and any other known particulars bearing on its nature and value. 1.2.3.4.5
1	**SCHEDULE-A** All that piece and parcel of built up area of about 3950 square feet on northern portion of land measuring about 9000 square feet out of the total land situated at property No.43, Kaneshmari No.68/326, Nagarabhavi Road, Nagarabhavi Gramatana, Mallathahalli Gram Panchayat, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Land measuring east to west (165+195)/2 and north to south 100 feet bounded on the East by: Remaining site of Shri Kempaiah, West by : 80 feet Nagarabhavi Main Road, North by : Building of Sri. Ramachandra, South by : Property sold to Smt. B.M.Pushpalatha. **SCHEDULE-B** All that piece and parcel of built up area of about 3427.50 square feet on Southern portion of land measuring about 9000 square feet out of the total land situated at property No.43, Kaneshmari No. 68/326, Nagarabhavi Road, Nagarabhavi Gramatana, Mallathahalli Gram Panchayat, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. Land measuring east to west (165+195)/2 and north to south 100 feet bounded on the East by: Remaining site of Shri Kempaiah, West by : 80 feet Nagarabhavi Main Road, North by : Remaining portion of Sri.B.T.Mallikarjuna's, South by : Remaining portion of Sri.Kempaiah	Reserve price Rs.12,71,34,800/- (Rupees twelve crores seventy one lakh thirty four thousands eight hundred only) EMD - Rs.1,27,13,480/- (Rupees One Crore twenty seven lakh thirteen thousand four hundred eighty only)	Rs.36,31,408/- Dues towards the property tax to BBMP	-NA-	NIL

Auction Schedule	
Date and Time of Auction	04/03/2021 Between 11:30 am to 12:00 Noon
Reserve Price	Rs.12,71,34,800/- (Rupees Twelve Crore Seventy One Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Only)
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs.1,27,13,480/- (Rup

CCB sleuths, in Bengaluru on Saturday, busted another drug racket and arrested four people, including a Nigerian national, for peddling drugs and seized 1 kg of MDMA crystals worth Rs 75 lakh from them

Farm laws: TS to work with Centre

We are still against amendments: TRS leader

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

Despite Telangana Chief Minister and TRS supremo K Chandrasekhar Rao's assertion that he would wage a war against the Centre for its anti-farmer laws, the pink party has now changed tack. It has decided to work with the Narendra Modi government in order to get more funds and projects to Telangana.

The TRS MPs, after attending the all-party meeting convened by Prime Minister Modi in New Delhi on Saturday, said since there are no elections now, there is no need for doing politics. "The Centre and the States should work in close coordination," they said.

"We are ready to be friends with anyone in order to protect the interests of the State," TRS Parliamentary Party (TRSPP) leader **K Keshava Rao** told reporters in the national capital. "We have to work with the Central government in order to get funds and projects to the State," TRS leader in Lok Sabha Nama Nageswara Rao said.

However, the MPs made it very clear that the party's stand on the new farm laws has not changed. "We had opposed the farm laws when the were introduced in Parliament. There is no change in our stand. We have even suggested the Centre to refer the new laws to the Select Committee of Parliament. But it did not agree," Keshava Rao said.

He welcomed the ongoing dialogue with farmers. "The discussions with farmers are being held with an open mind. It is a good development," Keshava Rao said.

Food allowed inside schools

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AS the education department is working towards the reopening of schools and PUC colleges for classes 9 to 12, from February 1, the department has permitted students to bring their food.

This was prohibited earlier, as were midday meals. However, the department is yet to restore the midday meal scheme.

Director of pre-university education has written to all DDPIs to take measures for safe reentry of Class 11 students.

Each college should appoint one lecturer as officer who will provide a daily report to the DDPI on the COVID-19 cases on campus. The education department has come out with a timetable for class 8 to 10. Class six to eight will continue to have Vidyagama, while Classes 9 to 12 will have regular classes. Permission letter from parents is compulsory to attend classes in school and those with COVID-19 symptoms are prohibited from attending classes physically. Attendance in classrooms is not compulsory. Classes for ninth and 10th standard students will extend up to 4:30 on the weekdays and 12:30 on Saturday. Class eight students will have classes up to 12:30 under Vidyagama.

Elusive leopard spotted again

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Forest Department officials and residents of Prestige Song of the South apartment complex spotted the elusive leopard on CCTV cameras again on early Friday morning. After this, the forest department has intensified patrolling and has installed three more cages.

Owing to the rising public pressure, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (wildlife) Ajai Misra has also issued orders to capture the leopard and release it in a conducive habitat.

According to forest officials, the leopard was sighted around 1.30 am on Friday on the CCTV camera which had captured it earlier last week. "Though there is no direct sighting and there have been no untoward incidents, citizens are in fear and are demanding that the leopard be captured at the earliest. We are also trying to make people understand that the animal is more scared at this moment and so has not attacked any one. It seems like it is wandering in search of food and water," an official said.

The department staffers have now kept a total of four cages at different locations with different types of baits to draw the leopard. The location of the already installed camera traps has also been changed to track the movement. "Over 15 staffers have been deployed on patrol," the official said.

ILLEGAL MINING MENACE: IT IS DEEP AND DISTURBING

TEAM TNIE

IT took a stone quarry blast on January 21 at Hunasodu village near Shivamogga that claimed six lives to bring back the focus on illegal mining in the state that continues to be a menace and is known for quick generation of big profits.

A senior legal expert says, "The best and fastest way to become a politician is to get yourself involved in mining as profit margins are more than 110 per cent as compared to other industries, which is 10-15 per cent."

According to government estimates, one metric tonne of legally extracted sand or stone fetches the government Rs 27, but is illegally sold for Rs 6,500-7,000.

Not just sand mining, but large-scale stone mining -- especially for crushed stones, mainly illegal, continues unabated across the state, the expert says.

"People in power do not want to stop it because it is a major profitable business and that was the reason the government announced legalising it in Shivamogga. That was why portfolios of ministers were shuffled four times to ensure that the 'right' person gets it. Whoever knows about the industry is well aware that there is profit in every aspect of mining - extraction, transportation, sales and even middlemen," says the expert, requesting anonymity.

BIG PICTURE

"Mining is not a costly affair. All one needs is trucks, 5-6 labourers and blasting material. Just five labourers can blast large areas, collect the material, load it into trucks and transport it. This was what was exposed in Shivamogga when the blast occurred," he says.

While in Ballari, mining was mostly for manganese and iron ore, in other parts of the state, it is for sand and stone. Extraction and exploitation is at its peak in Kolar, Chikkaballapur, Bengaluru Rural, Ramanagara, Mandya, Hassan, Chitradurga, Tumakuru, Shivamogga and Mysuru.

The Malnad region is facing the threat of mining because of large laterite stone deposits. Illegal stone quarrying in Shivamogga district, which is called the Gateway to Malnad, has been going on for years. The district has 76 laterite stone quarries and 30 sand blocks which are running legally. According to statistics with the Mines and Geology Department, 66 quarries are active, while 10 are defunct. Of the 66, only 21 quarry owners have obtained permission to carry out blasts, while 13 are using explosives without licence. A survey is now being launched to count illegal stone and sand mines in the district.

Shivamogga Deputy Commissioner KB Sivakumar says, "It's a challenge because illegal miners work discreetly. They come to the spot to stealthily, ensure that their job is done in a few minutes and escape. It is difficult to catch them red-handed. Also, we cannot set up checkposts at such spots as it inconveniences local people if we check each vehicle." Sources said staff crunch in the Mines and Geology Department too is another concern.

The result is that the district, which is known for its rich ecosystem and wildlife, is also notorious for the theft of natural resources. As confirmed by Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, the quarry at Hunasodu where the blast occurred is in an eco-sensitive zone.

Over the last two decades, the number of stone quarries has increased in Dharwad, Haveri, Gadag, Koppal, Uttara Kannada and Ballari districts. However, Mines and Geology Department officials keep visiting the quarries to inspect stone transporting vehicles regularly and keep illegal mining under check. There are 134 store quarries in Dharwad and 53 in Haveri district.

But sand mining is a major issue on the banks of Tungabhadra river in Haveri and Gadag districts. Though all operators have got the licence from the department, they transport higher loads than permitted.

In Gadag, 49 quarries are operating, while forest officials sent notices to six, falling within forest zones. Ten quarries have stopped working, department sources say. In Mundargi, the police seized 135 bags of ammonium nitrate four months ago and last year, a boy lost his hand after he playfully picked up gelatin sticks near a quarry.

In Mysuru, illegal mining that has been going on for the last two decades has spread to more than 18 villages, including Baby Betta, Cauvery Pura, Banagadi and other places around KRS Dam. Many politicians and realtors are operating over a hundred stone quarries, crushers and manufactured sand (M-sand) units. Hillocks of Baby Betta, Chinnakurali, and villages in and around Srirangapatna and Pandavapura have been reduced to a rubble because of uncontrolled mining.

Mangaluru-based social and environmental activist H Shashidhar Shetty alleges that over 90 per cent of mining in the district is illegal. "Illegal sand extraction is rampant near Thumbe dam in Bantwal taluk, Kenjar in Bajpe and in Belthangady, and the Mines and Geology Department and local police officials too are involved in it," he says.

In Hassan, the Mines and Geology Department has slapped a fine of Rs 30 lakh on miners for violating the Explosive Act in 2019-20. SP Srinivasa Gowda says based on the task force's report, the police seized unlicensed blasting material from three stone quarries.

In Dakshina Kannada, there are complaints of illegal sand extraction in Bantwal, Belthangady and other taluks and illegal laterite stone/muck extraction in Mudipu, Balepuni and Fajir. To prevent illegal sand mining, joint checkposts manned by revenue and mines and geology department officials and the police will be set up, says DC Dr Rajendra KV.

The problem

A senior legal expert on mining, requesting anonymity, says there is no ready record with the Mines and Geology Department head office on how many mines and quarries are operating in Karnataka and how many are defunct. "Though the process has been decentralised, there should be a uniform platform available for the public to ensure transparency. There are no field-level staffers in the Mines and Geology Department, like guards in the forest department or constables in the police department," he adds.

The suggestion

A member of the Supreme Court committee on mining, UV Singh, who is known for his fight against illegal mining, says there is an urgent need to bring in amendments to existing laws. The Karnataka Mines and Minerals Conservation Rules say the minimum distance between a mining site and a habitation is 200 metres, but it should be at least 1 km just like in quarrying. "While seeking environmental clearance for small mining areas (1-5 hectares) no public hearing is required, but it should be made mandatory and involve locals. For all types of mining and quarrying, public hearings should be mandated," he adds.

Demand for crushed stones, granite and sand is rising. Alternative sources are well known and they should be used. The government must have the will to push it, he says.

Inputs from: Bosky Khanna, K Shivakumar, Marx Tejaswi, Udaya Kumar BR, Kiran Balannanavar, Arunkumar Hiralimath, Divya Cutinho, Devaraj B Hirehalli, Prajna GR, Ramkrishna Badseshi, Prakash Samaga, Shreepada Ayachit

CRIME PATROL

Bankers held for pocketing ₹1 crore

Bengaluru: The police arrested a bank manager and three staffers for pocketing ₹1 crore. Police have recovered ₹60 lakh from them. Manager Arun Veermalla, peon Ramakrishna, loan agents Basavaraju and Imtiyaz from RR Nagar branch were arrested on Friday. On January 12, Arun transacted ₹1 crore for the bank at its Siddaiah Road branch. In the evening, he called a manager and asked her to raise a receipt for depositing ₹1 crore, but she alerted the regional manager. Police found that Arun had given ₹1 crore to Imtiyaz to double it.

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11.	Associate Professor (Molecular & Cellular Medicine)	1-UR
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28.	Junior Resident	4-UR, 2-OBC, 1-SC, 1-ST
29.	Instructor (Research) - Bio Informatics	1-UR
30.	Head Operations (Medical)	1-UR
31.	Deputy Head Operations (Medical)	1-UR
32.	Manager (Nursing)	1-UR
33.	Manager (Purchase)	1-UR
34.	Deputy Manager (Purchase)	1-UR
35.	Sr. Executive (Hospitality)	1-UR
36.	Sr. Executive (Admin)	1-UR
37.	Executive (Purchase)	1-OBC
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39.	Executive (Hospitality)	1-UR
40.	Junior Nutritionist	1-UR, 1-OBC
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42.	Junior Executive (Finance & Accounts)	1-OBC
43.	Junior Executive (Hospitality)	2-UR, 1-OBC
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54.	Junior Executive Nurse	3-OH

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EXPRESS READ

Tamil Nadu gets temple for Amma, MGR

Madurai: Tamil nadu CM Edappadi K Palaniswami and Deputy Chief Minister O Panneerselvam inaugurated the temple for AIADMK supremos MG Ramachandran and J Jayalalithaa in Thirumangalam on Saturday.

Sasi completes 10 days in hosp

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"SHE has completed 10 days of treatment as of Saturday. She has been asymptomatic and is maintaining saturation without oxygen for three days," stated The Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute in a health bulletin on Saturday. "As per protocol she can be discharged from the hospital. The team of doctors attending on her have taken a decision that she is fit for discharge tomorrow with an advice for home quarantine," the bulletin added.

Project to be completed in next two years

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"We are hoping to complete entire project in the next two years. We are planning to get the PM to launch (virtually) the project. Along with Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, I will be visiting Delhi after the Assembly session next week to invite the PM," he said.

A senior official in the Housing Department said that last year, they had called applications for a demand survey and the KHB had received 17,000 applications. "It may not be that all 17,000 are eligible and will be allotted sites. Also, we will have around 30,000 sites. The initial cost we have estimated is Rs 1,700 per sqft. But at the time of completion of the project, the cost may vary depending on land acquisition cost at that time," the official explained.

What the project entails

- 1,940 acres land identified for township at Jigani
- Around 30,000 sites of 20x30, 30x40 and 40x60 sqft dimensions will be developed
- Corner sites will be auctioned

"We have to set aside 5 per cent of the total land for civic amenities and 15 per cent for the economic weaker sections. The poor will be allotted 20x30 sqft sites at half the price," the official said.

It may be noted that many people who were allotted sites at BDA's Kempegowda Layout and Shivaram Karanth Layout are yet to get possession.

Women only 29% of judges in India: Study

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Maharashtra, along with Goa have topped in the legal aid (justice delivery) segment. Rajasthan and Himachal Pradesh rank highest in prison administration and Tamil Nadu and Sikkim are on the top in the judiciary segment with more courtrooms, more high court judges and decrease in case pendency.

The IJR is the only ranking of states on delivery of justice to people. It is an initiative of Tata Trusts in collaboration with the Centre for Social Justice, Common Cause, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, DAKSH, TISS–Prayas, Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy and How India Lives.

The report has made some important observations about the role of police — from custodians of the law to frontline service providers during the pandemic.

The IJR 2020 has taken into account the latest statistics and situations as they existed prior to March 2020. "It brings together otherwise siloed statistics from authoritative government sources, on the four pillars of justice delivery – Police, Judiciary, Prisons and Legal Aid."

According to the study, "women comprise only 29 per cent of judges in India. Two-thirds of the country's prisoners are yet to be convicted. In the last 25 years, since 1995, only 1.5 crore people have received legal aid, though 80 per cent of the country's population is entitled to it," the IJR states.

INHUMAN ACT

Accused show video clip to cops

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THE Tavarekere police were alerted about the incident and the body was later shifted to hospital for postmortem.

During interrogation, the five arrested showed the video clip to the police.

A case of murder has been filed against Balaram, a resident of Gollarapalya, who works as a cab driver. Paramesh, an eyewitness, told the police that the group had come in a car and stopped the vehicle near a farm land. They were sitting on the edge of the well for about half an hour and after a while, they started screaming for help.

Paramesh said he went to see what had happened and noticed that Lakshmikanth was stuck in silt. Balaram then went to call the villagers and about 100 people rushed to the spot and retrieved the body.

Don't waste the time. Time is the final currency, man. Not money, not power - it's time.

David Crosby

ECOSURVEY: WILL BUDGET FIX WHAT INDIA AILS FROM?

THE THIRD EYE

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THE Economic Survey preceding Budget 2021 is in many ways the annual essay on the state of the union. Its arrival at a piquant point when social and economic fault lines are unravelling world over in the wake of the pandemic obliges deeper introspection on the politics of economics.

The morality play of anguish and outrage unfolding across the Atlantic Ocean has got global audiences captivated. The war of Davids against financial Goliaths, playing out on a contextually emblematic platform called Robinhood over the valuation of video games retailer GameStop is surreal. It is also symptomatic of the consequences of unattended issues. The curriculum presented in the episodes hold lessons for the world at large — and for India on how it addresses perceived and real anxieties.

In its opening chapter, the Survey quotes from Thirukkural, Chapter 49/ Verse 482: "*Doing the right things at the right time is the rope which binds the wealth, making it boundless.*" Whether the profound lesson is being followed is a question open for debate, and the answers depend on who is telling the story. That said the survey does provide an illuminating guide for knowing India and a robust foundation to assess whether Union Budget 2021 addresses the issues haunting 1.4 billion Indians.

India has one critical surplus and that is the number of people in the political economy. The promise of demographic dividend depends on investment in human capital. No economy has risen to developed status without spending on human development. And yet, historically, India has shied from making the necessary investments. India ranks 131, down from 129 in 2019, among 189 nations, in the company of smaller and poorer nations.

The pandemic has brought focus on the decrepit state of health care — and I have interrogated and chronicled its history in my book, '*The Gated Republic*'. The Economic Survey blithely and bizarrely declares that 'Better healthcare infrastructure is no insurance against communicable disease'. Health care is obviously not just about communicable diseases. The fact is a nation of nearly 140 crore people with barely 12.5 lakh allopathic doctors can scarcely afford to waddle in an 'ifs and buts' debate.

Be that as it may, consider the state of expenditure for health. On the face of it, expenditure of the Centre and the states on health has gone up from ₹1.49 lakh crore to ₹3.51 lakh crore between 2014 and 2021. But as a percentage of total expenditure, it is barely 5.4 per cent and, in relation to the size of the economy (and for a rising population), it continues to be poor at 1.8 per cent of GDP. Unsurprisingly, India ranks 145 among 180 countries on quality of health care as per the Global Burden of Disease report. It is true that the chasm between need and access is worsened by poor spending by the states which have the onus of last mile delivery. Thanks to the deficit in spending and capacity, India has the highest level of out of pocket expense of health expenditure sending thousands seeking health care into debt and penury. The Survey points out that raising public spend on health care can bring down out of pocket expenses from 65 per cent to 30 per cent.

The broken state of education again is the consequence of poor spending and policy design. The absolute spend on education has gone up from ₹3.54 lakh crore to ₹6.75 lakh crore but after decades of slogans and promises to spend 6 per cent to GDP on education, actual spend in relation to size of economy continues to be just 3.5 per cent. What is worse is that the divorce of accountability from allocation, poor policy design and implementation has resulted in millions passing out even as they struggle with words and numbers.

The state of education has a direct bearing on the quality of employment and, therefore, on the multipliers of growth across sectors and national income. The data on the quantum and quality of workforce is instructive. The Survey informs India has over 51.8 crore people in its labour force. Growth demands quantity and quality. Shockingly, only 26 per cent of women are part of the workforce. In an age when algorithm-led automation is rapidly retrenching human interface, the average years of schooling of the labour force is barely 6.5 years.

Of the 51.8 crore workers, only 12.2 crore are on regular salaries, 11.5 crore casual workers and stunningly 25 crore or 52 per cent classified as self-employed. It begs the question if the self-employed are so by choice and if they are entrepreneurial is the system allowing access to affordable credit. There is much lather about a development finance institution — given the history of IFCI and IDBI one wonders if that is the panacea — but little to enable digital access to speedy credit as available in say Singapore. Policy narrative suggests that frequently the impulse is to solve tomorrow's problems with yesterday's solutions.

The crux of the anger over inequality is about access to public services and asymmetry of opportunity. Growth demands nurture of human capital. The question is whether the budget will allocate resources to invest in human capital, to enable its people and to empower its economy.

WRONG: TEARGAS & LATHIS FOR FARMERS

POINT OF VIEW

T J S GEORGE

NARENDRA Modi is a gifted speaker; more spirited with his oratorical flourishes than A B Vajpayee, the best speaker our Parliament has seen in recent years. But is he carried away by his qualities as a speaker? His speeches on Independence Day have been the longest in history, lasting around one-and-a-half hours each time.

That's really long for a speech. Modi's well-known qualities as a speaker may keep the audience alert for much of the time, but it does raise questions about speeches and their lengths. His shortest speech was in 2017 when it went on for 56 minutes. In 2016, it lasted 94 minutes, in 2019, two minutes less at 92 and in 2020, another two minutes less at 90. Even Vajpayee's record was 25 minutes in 2002 and 30 minutes in 2003. Where is 30 minutes, where is 90?

Speeches don't have to be long to make an impression. Unless you are V K Krishna Menon and the year is 1957 when India had to force an unfriendly United Nations to pay attention to what it had to say. So he spoke for eight hours and then dramatically collapsed. That was politics of a particular kind in the confrontational world of a particular time. In ordinary situations, a few sentences are enough to make history. Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, considered one of the greatest speeches in history, was only 275 words long. George Washington's second inaugural address was even shorter, just 135 words.

The irrelevance of our long speeches was underlined this year when the unprecedented farmers' agitation competed with the Prime Minister's show for attention. The farmers won. The teargas attack on the farmers only directed more public sympathy towards them. The police barricades proved ineffective as the farmers made their way to key areas of the National Capital, including the symbolic Red Fort. Clashes occurred but the farmers' were ready for that too. The Nihangs (Sikh warriors) on horseback provided an unusual spectacle, no doubt inspirational to the protesters. The farmers have been camping around Delhi since November.

What is astonishing is Prime Minister Modi's failure to understand the power the farmers have acquired. His inability to see the importance of communicating with them is a collapse of leadership. It's the biggest open challenge Modi has faced since becoming Prime Minister. But he is unable to respond creatively because his primary interest is to safeguard his ties with the corporate entities behind him.

Law and order situation as well as political management of the country would have been better if Modi was more imaginative. Things would have been different, for example, if some attempts were made to consult farmers; if the Citizenship Amendment Bill were not enforced so one-sidedly; if JNU student leaders were treated as student leaders and not as seditionists out to destroy the nation. The problem may be that Modi has a fear complex that leads him to handle all protests with a heavy hand. Or, may be that Amit Shah knows nothing but to use law as a whip with which to discipline citizens. Left to themselves, they would love to declare a police state.

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The signs are not encouraging. Until last week, the farmers' march was peaceful and orderly. Suddenly violence flared. One farmer died as his tractor overturned — an accident, the police hastened to explain. The banging of tractors into the backs of buses parked to block them provided impressive TV visuals even as it dramatised the relentlessness of the farmers' fight.

What was clear was the Government's tactlessness in handling the situation. The farmers were seen as enemies of the state. Where tactfulness would have made a difference, tactlessness was in full swing. The same tactlessness that made the Modi Government pass the farm laws without parliamentary scrutiny. Even the Guardian from far-away England described it as "elective dictatorship". Two-hundred million Indians still go without assured food, it said. Granaries are full, but the poor don't have the money to buy. This won't change until there is a government that is "interested in ordinary people, not just corporate profits that disproportionately fund Mr Modi's party". What if Mr Modi loves that very disproportionateness? Mr Modi knows what's good for him — and also that what's good for him must have precedence over what's good for the country.

CALLING FOR JAI JAWAN JAI KISAN BUDGET

POWER & POLITICS

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IN the numerical legerdemain of government data, numbers numb conscience. They are ordinals applied to convert negativity into positivity. The Union Budget is one such number crunching exercise which hides more than it reveals. Of course, there are some people who gain immensely. Yet, there are many more Indians who suffer.

When Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman presents the NDA government's eighth budget on Monday, she would be judged by the perennial pundits on the basis of how well she packaged her presentation. The response of corporates would be the same in essence as it has been for decades except for the new economic jargon that has entered the tired vocabulary of business Badshahs.

The Budget is mainly optics — a choreographed photo-op because it is mainly a statement of Central income and expenditure. But expenditure is a bigger attention grabber than any other detail in the budget papers. Every section of society expects that the government should spend more on projects and fiscal schemes that will enhance their income and happiness. Sitharaman has promised a Budget, which would be better than the best so far. Since most of the two-dozen odd Union Finance Ministers since Independence including her were or are from the urban elite, they have played to the gallery. But, she is expected to be the exception.

The moot question is will she, too, be guided by the global charm of fiscal discipline and market endorsement? Or, she would be liberal in providing money to those who need to spend more. For the past few weeks, Kisans and Jawans have become the most revered icons of society. All political parties swear by them. Budget after Budget have shown massive increase in the fund allocation to the rural sector in terms of cash doles and subsidies. Pensions of jawans have been increased and they get better pay. Since the majority of the over 30 lakh jawans in military and paramilitary forces belong to rural areas with farming backgrounds, extra financial support for better education, and jobs in food processing units would provide their families more income.

Instead of allotting petrol pumps and gas agencies to jawans, retired defence personnel should be encouraged to set up food processing plants in villages. The government is enamoured with urban start-ups of the children of the rich and famous. They get ample concessions from the government. The Budget should liberally fund start-ups by jawans who studied in rural schools rather than those who spent huge foreign exchange on education and land in India to join the Start-up Bandwagon.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has promised that his government would double farm incomes by 2022. He has announced many projects to achieve his target. But the ground situation is not as rosy as he expects. According to official estimates, per capita rural income is almost half of the urban income at present. The share of agriculture in the Gross National Product has been dwindling speedily since economic reforms were introduced in 1991. While the Indian economy has grown on an average by around seven percent over the past two decades, the rural sector is up by an average of just about two percent. Agriculture contributes barely 15 per cent of the GDP while 60 per cent of Indians depend on it for survival. Those who define the contours of the Budget usually ignore the abominable plight of six out of ten citizens attached to the rural economy.

India will achieve its dream of becoming a $5 trillion economy in real terms only by increasing the income of its bottom 60 crore people and not by market capitalisation of the top 100 companies. Research by market economists show that growth of the farm sector can reduce poverty two to three times faster than other glamorous sectors like technology and finance. The

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India story has proved beyond doubt that supply has failed to create its own demand. Unutilised or underutilised capacity of numerous manufacturing units, unsold housing projects, the failure of several banks and rising rural and urban unemployment indicate the absence of purchasing power. Top cities are buzzing with economic activity, growth in the number of high rises, sparkling airports and five star hotels, but rural India has failed to retain its youth in the absence of gainful employment or a reasonable living environment.

According to the 2011 Census, around 2,300 people quit farming every day. Over 40 million farmers are estimated to have left villages for cities in search of better opportunities. Even after 75 years, the majority of our villages lack running potable water, all-weather roads, assured electric supply, a basic health service facility with a doctor or a fully furnished school. If Budget 2021 ensures that a cluster of villages would look better than any B-Town, the resultant energy would lead to enhanced economic activity and generate demand.

But adverse input costs and financial distress have led many farmers to commit suicide. Cost of electricity, petrol, diesel, chemicals, fertilisers, water and even health and education has risen enormously for them. All over the world, farmers survive and thrive on huge government subsidies. It is only in India that they have been singled out for financial indifference, while rich industrialists are liberally pampered with incentives and stimulus. Annadatas of the nation have been deprived of even subsistence level earnings. If the Budget ensures that each one of the 100 million farm households would get at least 20 percent extra disposal income in hand, the outcome would generate a huge demand for not only FMCGs but also houses, tractors, automobiles, entertainment, domestic appliances and motor vehicles. Farmers would have more to spend on better education for their children. Providing additional expenditure in the Budget to enhance rural infrastructure and agro industries would create big employment opportunities and boost the demand for steel, cement and power.

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The late Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri coined the slogan '*Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan*' 55 years ago. It remains just a slogan and not an idea. It has to be converted into Action for Atma Nirbhar Bharat. Both kisans and jawans have to be made equal stakeholders in India's growth story and not just doomed to languish as vote banks. Sitharaman has the chance to rewrite history by changing the numbers of rural growth that lie hidden in the amnesiac opportunism of politicians whose election slogans have no commitment to reality.

QUOTE CORNER

I am immensely proud that we have brought in this new route for Hong Kong BN(O)s to live, work and make their home in our country. In doing so we have honoured our profound ties of history and friendship with the people of Hong Kong...

Boris Johnson, UK Prime Minister

The pandemic has exposed and exploited the inequalities of our world ... Vaccine nationalism might serve short-term political goals. But it's ultimately short-sighted and self-defeating

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO director general

The United States and the NATO must take a very strong stand on the conditions-based approach. They signed an agreement; that agreement now needs to be implemented.

Ashraf Ghani, Afghanistan President

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Police set-up needs reforms

What the nation witnessed on Republic Day was unbelievable inaction from the side of Delhi Police when some miscreants were engaged in defiling the Red Fort and the Tricolour. Restraint is good and a must. But it should not mean playing safe. This raises once again the question of making the police independent and professional. Post Independence, various commissions and committees have submitted reports on police reform, but nothing much has happened owing to bad politics. If not make them independent, at least the recruitment and training of police should be reformed so that they become suo motu sensitive to law and order issues brewing right under their nose!

P Mangalachandran, Kannur

Sedition against dissenters?

The slapping of sedition charges on journalists and others has become so routine that it defies logic of what is the intention behind such steps against any one opposed to the government's ways of handling men and matters. It has become a short-cut to silence those who are not in agreement with the government's thinking on any particular issue and faces such charges that is anathema in a democracy but used with abandon to brow beat the critics. This is nothing but slow progress towards authoritarianism and autocracy with all the pitfalls associated with it.

V Padmanabhan, Bengaluru

Nation first, end politicking

Is political slugfest a hindrance to peace and tranquility which affects development? The recent happening tends to believe so. Had the agitating farmers heeded to the best offer of the Government, to put on hold the implementation of the contentious laws, the unpleasant situation on Republic Day would have been avoided. Political parties are interested fishing in murky waters and to exploit the situation in their favour. Nobody is concerned about the profound disturbance the country is experiencing. Country should be above all.

PK Sreevalsan, Bengaluru

Rise above caste, religion

The article 'On Culture, Language And Identity' (Jan 30) rationally unfolds the relationship between religion and culture. Overtly, religion is a sequel of expansion of culture and religions created struggles for power. Withal, religion/caste plays a pivotal role in political movements. Our political outfits are well aware of this oddity and ergo they are largely engaged in religious/casteist polarisation of the people to remain in power. In a dog eat dog society, religion/caste worsens the situation. Despite a secular democratic nation, casteist/religious bodies thrive solely with clear support from an elected regime.

Thomas KM, Muvattupuzha

Vision for economy

This refers to the editorial, 'Implications of the Economic Survey' (Jan 30). The Survey reiterated the benefits of focusing on long-term gains over myopic policymaking. The government should be lauded for not indulging in any ill-advised fiscal adventurism. However, economic challenges posed by the pandemic are formidable. It is time we made efforts to find a sustainable solution to the policy dilemma of "lives versus livelihoods". This calls for a renewed focus on moving to a "virtuous cycle" of growth that not only enables animal spirits in the economy to thrive but helps sustain a caring society that is both humane and compassionate.

Shreyans Jain, Delhi

Change is the law of life

The article 'The principles of management of change' (Jan 30) was educational and thought-provoking. Change is not only constant but also the law of life. Those who stick to their past and present are bound to miss not only the bus but also the future. Adversities and uncertainties test one's real mettle. Those resting on their past accomplishments and present laurels may become milestones while others welcoming and imbibing change will be heading for further glory.

C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
We must never forget the forces that assassinated Mahatma Gandhi. The ideology of hate that killed him will never be allowed to succeed

Narendra Modi @narendramodi
Tributes to the great Bapu on his Punya Tithi. His ideals continue to motivate millions.

Priyanka Gandhi Vadra @priyankagandhi
Respecting democracy is not the government's prerogative but it is its responsibility. The atmosphere of fear is like poison for democracy

Internet snapped at protest sites as blame game and FIRs continue

Farmer leaders allege BJP and RSS hands behind clashes at Singhu border on Friday

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Protesting farmers block the road with tractors and other vehicles at Ghazipur border in New Delhi; BKU's Rakesh Tikait addresses a rally at Ghazipur on Saturday | PTI

AMID fresh FIRs in Delhi and Haryana against Congress MP Shashi Tharoor and six journalists, farmer leaders blaming BJP and RSS for Friday's stone pelting at Singhu border, the Centre on Saturday suspended internet services at Singhu, Ghazipur and Tikri borders, where farmers have been protesting against new agri laws.

The Union home ministry passed an order stating that internet services will remain suspended in Singhu, Ghazipur, and Tikri borders and adjoining areas till 11 pm on Sunday. According to officials, the decision was taken to "maintain public safety and avert public emergency" under the Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules.

On January 26, when violence erupted during the tractor rally, internet services were temporarily suspended in parts of Delhi. The latest ban comes at a time when farmers from Punjab, Haryana and western UP are heading towards the border sites to strengthen the protest, after police tried to remove farmer leader Rakesh Tikait from Ghazipur border on Thursday night.

Balbir Singh Rajewal, president of Bharatiya Kisan Union (Rajewal), meanwhile, alleged BJP and RSS were behind Friday's incidents at Singhu border. He added that the government was trying to provoke them to resort to violence, but they will remain peaceful. "The government is trying to mislead people through false propaganda in order to defame the agitation," he alleged.

The Punjab Human Rights Organisation said more than 100 farmers who went to Delhi for the Republic Day rally are missing. Congress Rajya Sabha MP Partap Singh Bajwa has also written to Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh to trace the missing farmers.

After Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh, Haryana Police lodged FIRs against Tharoor and six journalists on charges of sedition, for allegedly spreading disharmony during clashes between the police and farmers on Republic Day.

Now, case against journalists in Delhi

Following in the footsteps of Noida police, the Delhi Police has filed a case against Congress MP Shashi Tharoor and five journalists including Rajdeep Sardesai, Mrinal Pande, Paresh Nath, Anant Nath, and Vinod K Jose for allegedly misleading public regarding the death of a protester at ITO during the violence on Republic Day, officials said on Saturday. The case was registered at the IP Estate police station under relevant sections of the IPC, police said.

'Sedition case against scribes unacceptable'

NEW DELHI: Journalists and media bodies condemned the FIRs lodged against senior editors and media persons over the Republic Day violence, saying it was an act of intimidation by the government. The slapping of sedition charge particularly came in for strong condemnation.

"A case of sedition is unacceptable against journalists. Let us show some solidarity on this issue. We can continue to fight on numerous issues. We may make mistakes as journalists. There are enough fora for us to correct those mistakes. I do hope each of you, as journalists, question if this is justified. Governments abuse power," said Rajdeep Sardesai, against whom an FIR was lodged, at a press conference on Saturday.

"A journalist is allowed to make genuine mistakes. For all of the media, if you do not fall in line, you are worried about libel... We live in the world of ideas and arguments. We disagree with each other. There are too many divisions in the media with establishments of all kinds to exploit. Journalists should be unanimous on freedom of expression," said Shekhar Gupta.

The journalists adopted resolutions alleging that the government was seeking to disrupt the functioning of the media and demanding that the charges be withdrawn.

Condemning the FIRs, journalists questioned if the government did not have faith in the Press Council of India for addressing the complaints against journalists. *ENS*

No dip in support for protesting farmers in Punjab and Haryana

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

IF you see someone honking at a traffic intersection, don't mistake him for asking you the way. That's the latest way of expressing one's support for farmers. You'd also hear slogans such as, "we are not terrorists but farmers".

That's how roads look during morning and evening rush hours in various towns of Punjab and Haryana. Days after the widely-condemned Red Fort violence, there is no visible dip in public enthusiasm and support for the farmers protesting at Delhi's borders.

In Chandigarh and Mohali, youngsters have made it a routine to stand at various crossroads for three hours in the day (11.30 am to 2.30 pm) and two-and-a-half hours in the evening (6 to 8.30 pm) with placards 'No farmer no food,' 'Farmers: We feed the world' amid farmer union flags and the national flag. They urge motorists to honk in support of agitation.

"Today we are on a hunger strike in support of farmers. We have already visited Singhu and Tikri borders thrice. We'll go there again on Tuesday. The people know that the January 26 incident was sponsored by the government," says Manjit Singh of Sector 70 Mohali.

Activist Narinder Sing Kang says a WhatsApp group, 'Delli Chao', has been formed where messages on the protest are shared. "We have been to the protest sites half-a-dozen times. After the Republic Day episode, more and more people are joining the group," he said.

There are emotional reactions. Amrit Singh, a Mohali businessman plans to join the Singhu border protest again. Harinderpreet Singh, who is doing his graduation, says: "Rakesh Tikait's tears are worth more than anything else. Everybody is with farmers."

"The government is refusing to accept the ground reality and wants to term the farmers Khalistanis. It eventually wants to shut down the Food Corporation of India and give everything to a select group of corporates," said Bobby Kamboj, a property dealer.

> **The protests will intensify... the people won't bow to government atrocities and threats**
>
> Amrit Singh, Mohali businessman

BUDGET PUSH CAN TURN ASHA WORKERS TO DIGITAL HEALTH AGENTS

TECHNOLOGY can enable India to leapfrog into an advanced healthcare system that fulfils the vision of the national health policy of promoting wellness, universal access and affordable care for all Indians.

The National Digital Health Mission (NDHM) launched on August 15, 2020 seeks to enable this by bridging the existing gap amongst different stakeholders of the healthcare ecosystem through digital highways.

For such a model to succeed, technological implementation cannot be top down. In India, 66% of the population live in villages, and while they may know how to use a smartphone, they may not know how to download a mobile app. To spur technological adoption and bridge the existing digital divide, India will have to deploy an army of empowered and tech-savvy 'Digital Health Agents'.

Fortunately, rural India has a huge untapped resource pool of close to 9,00,000 ASHA (Accredited Social Health Activist) workers who act as a bridge between the government and people, and are playing multiple roles — of health care facilitators, health activists and service providers and are operating at the grassroots level.

Many ASHA workers are graduates and others are educated to at least Class 10. Basic training on technology along with access to tablets or smartphones can transform the ASHA worker into a Digital Health Agent to deliver healthcare solutions to the masses. The upcoming Budget is a great opportunity for upskilling ASHA workers with digital training.

Digitalising data capture

Data is becoming the lifeblood of health systems globally. Yet, healthcare in India has long suffered from a lack of reliable data. The NDHM seeks to address this huge deficit. The smart application of telemedicine, artificial intelligence (AI)-enabled medical devices, and block chain can help create repositories of longitudinal data, revolutionising public healthcare planning and delivery in the country.

Technologies such as the use of voice-enabled records are emerging as a global best practice for improving the ease and reliability of data capture. One such app is mSakhi for frontline health workers in India. It is an open source Android application that has helped digitize multiple paper-based tools and enabled health workers to gain access to the most up-to-date training, stay connected and report essential data. ASHA workers can access this app on their smartphones to update skills, stay in touch with supervisors, and track and report crucial data about health issues in their communities.

Digital enablers

In rural India, there are still millions of individuals who do not have smartphones or access to reliable mobile networks. ASHA workers can help these people access the digital healthcare ecosystem.

As Digital Health Agents, they can enable teleconsultations between specialists and individuals, acting as an important digital link between primary and tertiary care in rural areas.

Deploying 'nudge tactics' to encourage individuals to make best decisions and actions is a powerful tool that has emerged in recent years. Using technology to make these nudge tactics available to ASHA workers would make large scale implementation of relevant interventions possible.

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ASHA workers can also help individuals decipher the significance of their symptoms and seek appropriate care at the right time. This will not just expedite the process of screening and ensure maintenance of a proper health records, but will also take the load off secondary and tertiary healthcare centres, enabling them to focus on critical cases.

Thanks to innovative start-ups, there is a wealth of available and in-development innovative technology which can fundamentally transform the way healthcare is delivered in the country. Validating such innovative technologies requires large field and clinical trials where ASHAs can play a critical data gathering role. Moreover, mobile and point of care technology-enabled testing and screening modalities are replacing the more expensive traditional methods that require immobile equipment and specialist human technicians. Armed with such handheld, affordable technological innovations, ASHA workers can provide screening, wellness and disease awareness services in remote areas of the country.

They can also be trained to interpret data and alert authorities in the event of an outbreak or epidemic.

Vaccine advocacy

The Covid-19 crisis has highlighted the important role of ASHA workers. Once coronavirus vaccines are rolled out to the entire Indian population, they will need to be involved in awareness creation to make the immunisation program a success. Through the use of digital communication aids they can help tackle the tsunami of misinformation that is emerging as one of the biggest threats to India's vaccine drive.

Given their grassroots connect, ASHA workers should be an important element of the government's communication effort to educate ordinary people on the importance of getting inoculated, besides telling them when and where they can get immunised.

Technology-led career development

ASHA workers need to be incentivised to be a part of the vibrant technological ecosystem envisaged by NDHM.

The current task list for an ASHA worker is long and daunting. It involves working and commuting long hours and responsibilities such as disseminating health and nutrition related information, collecting household data including a record of births and deaths, checking for communicable diseases and providing postnatal care and family planning services. Lack of adequate infrastructure, poor pay, insufficient benefits and their classification as voluntary workers add to the burden.

Covid-19 has brought to the fore the poor working conditions of ASHA workers, who form the backbone of public rural healthcare. It's time they are empowered and enabled to contribute more effectively to transforming Indian healthcare.

Digital enablement will not only add new skills to the ASHA workers' repertoire, upgrading their role as a healthcare service provider but will also lead to their career advancement to more paying jobs.

EXPRESS READ

Govt to involve MPs in Jal Jeevan Mission

New Delhi: In a move to achieve targets of 'Jal Jeevan Mission', the Centre has made provisions to involve MPs. The National Jal Jeevan Mission issued an advisory to states elaborating on the roles that Members of Parliament can play in achieving the goal of the Mission.

Uncertainty in Maha Cong, Sonia calls meet

Mumbai: Uncertainty has gripped the Maharashtra Congress following a delay in the appointment of a new state party chief. Congress chief Sonia Gandhi has called a meeting on Sunday in Delhi to discuss the issue along with a review of the party performance.

Embassy blast: Iran angle, Al Qaeda under lens

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EVIDENCE of pentaerythritol tetranitrate, or PETN, a high grade explosive chemical mostly used by the Al Qaeda group, was found during probe on a low intensity blast outside the Israel embassy here on Friday.

Sources said the handling of the chemicals is not easy and the blast has to be the handiwork of a group that is experienced in using them. The probe agencies feel local agents of the group could have carried out the attack. While the police have not ruled out any possibility, including the role of Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence, they are also investigating the Iranian angle.

An envelope with a letter addressed to the Israel ambassador to India was found, which refers to Iranian military commander Qasem Soleimani and nuclear scientist Dr Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, both of whom were slain last year. The letter was found 12 yards away from the spot.

Blast outside embassy a terror attack, says envoy

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ISRAELI Ambassador to India **Ron Malka** on Saturday said that Friday's explosion near the country's embassy in the national capital was a terror attack but it was not surprising as there had been a high alert for weeks.

The envoy said that there is some sort of cooperation between Indian and Israeli agencies for investigating the incident but majority work would be handled by Indian officials as the attack took place on Indian soil. "We are working with India to find who was involved. It is too early to name any group responsible for the attack," he said.

Malka said that India and Israel are cooperating to probe the explosion and all Israeli missions across the world have been put on high alert as their premises in Europe have also been targeted.

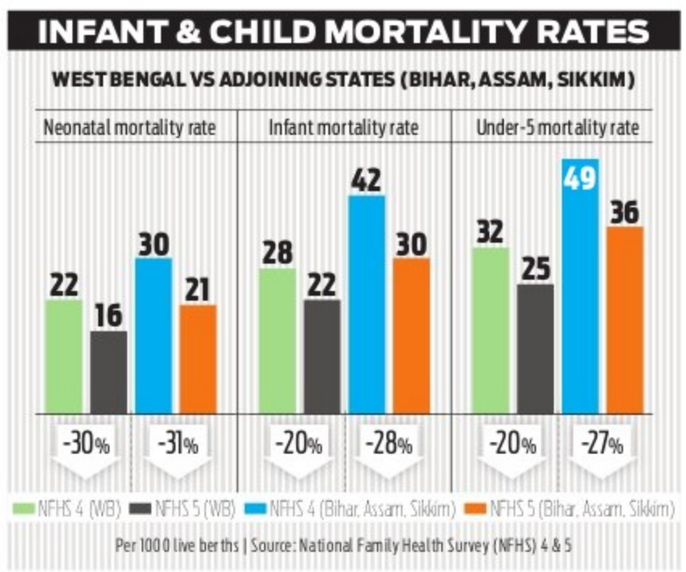
"We can't share specifics as yet, but India and Israel are sharing real-time intelligence. Cooperation between India and Israel is on regarding intelligence and technical knowhow," he further said.

Friday's incident is being treated as a terror attack, the Israeli envoy said, and added that it was too early to divulge any details as the probe was ongoing. "Once we complete it, we will know more. It certainly was a terror attack," he said.

Two low-intensity explosions took place near the Israeli embassy on Friday at a time when many VIPs were a stone's throw away for the Beating Retreat Ceremony. The explosion also coincided with the 29th anniversary of India-Israel diplomatic ties.

However, Malka said that Israeli diplomats feel safe in India and New Delhi is doing everything to keep them safe. "Yesterday (Friday) was the 29th anniversary of establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries so the attack might not be a coincidence. There might be a connection," he said.

Bengal pays for ignoring central health insurance scheme



SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

ELECTION-bound West Bengal lags behind other states on several crucial health development indices because of its non-implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, the Centre's flagship health scheme, the latest Economic Survey has found.

The Survey has compared Bengal with three neighbouring states — Bihar, Assam and Sikkim — which implemented the scheme. Other than the fact that these states are contiguous to each other and therefore similar on socio-economic dimensions, the report said the baseline characteristics of these two groups of states were similar.

The report said the proportion of households that had health insurance increased in Bihar, Assam and Sikkim from 2015-16 to 2019-20 by 89% but it decreased by 12% over the same period in Bengal.

As far as other states go, the proportion of households with health insurance increased by 54% in the states that implemented the PM-JAY while there was a 10% fall in the ones that did not. "Thus, the PM-JAY enhanced health insurance coverage," the Survey said, adding that while some of these effects stemmed directly from enhanced care enabled by coverage, others represent spill-over effects of the same.

For example, while the infant mortality rate declined by 20% in Bengal from 2015-16 to 2019-20, in Bihar, Assam and Sikkim, the fall was 28%. While Bengal saw a fall of 20% in under-5 mortality rate, the neighbouring states witnessed 27% reduction and thus saw 7-8% greater reduction in these health outcomes.

As per the Survey, modern methods of contraception, female sterilization and pill usage went up by 36%, 22% and 28% respectively in the three states but the changes for Bengal were negligible. Bengal did not witness any significant decline in unmet need for spacing between consecutive kids, while the three states recorded 37% fall.

ZERO CASES

Andaman and Nicobar Islands did not record a single fresh Covid-19 case in the last four days, a health department official said on Saturday. The coronavirus tally in the Union Territory remained at 4,994

16 NAXALS SURRENDER IN DANTEWADA DISTRICT OF CHHATTISGARH

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	28	15	Mumbai	30	23
Bhopal	25	7	Panaji	32	22
Jaipur	25	11	Patna	21	8
Amritsar	18	5	Lucknow	19	10
Chennai	30	21	Port Blair	31	25
Kolkata	23	11	Imphal	23	1
Srinagar	1	-6	Chandigarh	25	8

Exodus from TMC unabated as rebels join BJP

Former minister Rajib Banerjee, Baishali Dalmiya among five who switched allegiance in Amit Shah's presence

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi/Kolkata

IN yet another big jolt to the Trinamool Congress ahead of the Assembly elections, former state minister Rajib Banerjee, who recently quit the party, joined the BJP in the national capital on Saturday along with a few other leaders of the state's ruling party after meeting senior BJP leader and Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

Banerjee and MLAs Prabir Ghosal and Baishali Dalmiya, who was recently expelled from the TMC, former Howrah Mayor Rathin Chakraborty and actor Rudranil Ghosh flew to the national capital on a special plane, and met central BJP leaders.

"Former TMC leaders Rajib Banerjee, Baishali Dalmiya, Prabir Ghoshal, Rathin Chakraborti and Rudranil Ghosh joined BJP in New Delhi. I am sure their induction will further strengthen BJP's fight for Sonar Bangla," Shah tweeted.

BJP national vice-president Mukul Roy and national general secretary and the party's Bengal minder Kailash Vijayvargiya went to Delhi with them. The TMC, which has been facing dissent from a number of leaders ahead of the assembly election due in April-May, said that those who are leaving do not have long political history.

Banerjee said he had a word with Shah who called him to the national capital. "After I resigned from the TMC, I received a call from the BJP leadership.... Amit Shah ji told me to come over to Delhi. He also requested me to pass on the information to five other important public figures who wanted to serve people in a better way to accompany me. "If I get an assurance on the state's development, if I get an assurance that I can work for the betterment of people, I will join the BJP," he told reporters.

When asked what role does he expect to play in the BJP, Banerjee said it is for the party to decide. "I want to work for the people. So whatever role is assigned to me, I will accept." Instead of mudslinging, the Centre and the Bengal government should work together, the turncoat leader further said.

With agency inputs

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Former forest minister Rajib Banerjee

TMC leaders were supposed to join the BJP during Amit Shah's rally in Howrah. However, his two-day visit to West Bengal was cancelled at the last minute

A BJP source

Former election officials urge ECI to optimise VVPAT tallying mechanism

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

THE Citizen's Commission on Elections (CCE), a civil society initiative headed by former Supreme Court Judge Madan B Lokur and first chief information commissioner Wajahat Habibullah, demanded that the Election Commission of India (ECI) must optimise the tallying of voter-verified paper audit trails (VVPATs) with the votes registered in the electronic voting machines (EVMs) in the ensuing Assembly polls in five states including Bengal.

While addressing a media conference and publishing a report prepared by the CCE on technical and other inadequacies of the EVMs, Jawhar Sircar, a former Chief Election Officer, said the ECI should tally the VVPATs with the votes in EVMs as much as possible.

"There is no proof that EVMs cannot be tampered with. Hence, it is highly desirable that the VVPATs and EVM votes are tallied," said Sircar on behalf of the CCE, the initiative comprising former Supreme Court Judges, civil servants, journalists, economists, professors and civil society activists. Sircar also referred to the examples in Madhya Pradesh elections where the EVMs and VVPATs could not be tallied at several booths.

"We have seen in Madhya Pradesh during the 2019 polls that the number of votes cast and the number of votes finally recorded in the EVM didn't match. This happened in over 200 booths. The apex court had ruled that votes of five EVMs in every Assembly segment should be tallied with VVPATs to ensure transparency. In an Assembly constituency, which comprises hundreds of booths, counting merely tallying just five EVMs would not reflect the whole picture," said Sircar.

Sircar was the CEO in Bengal in 1999 when EVMs were first introduced in the country.

"When the EVM was introduced, we were not equipped with cellphones. There have been remarkable technological developments in all segments but there has been little technical upgradation in the EVMs since then," he pointed out.

The CCE has prepared a detailed report where it has discussed "how EVMs can be tampered with, after its IIT technologists consulted best universities in the West". Sircar said the report would be shared with the ECI.

Subhashis Banerjee, a professor of Computer Science in IIT Delhi said the EVMs aren't safeguarded from 'side channel attacks', which meant that the machines can be hacked through devices from a remote area.

A few days earlier, another former CEO SY Quraishi had spoken in favour of 100 per cent VVPAT counting.

The ECI had argued that counting of all VVPATS will be a long process. From my experience I can say that it won't take more than 20 minutes to count VVPATs in a booth — Jawhar Sircar, former Chief Election Officer

BJP leaders try to pacify Matuas as Shah cancels trip

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

IN a bid to ease the perceived discontent among Matua community, triggered by the sudden cancellation of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to West Bengal, top-level functionaries of the BJP visited the religious sect's headquarters at Thakurnagar in Bongaon, North 24 Parganas on Saturday and assured that the Union minister would visit the area shortly.

The saffron camp's national vice president Mukul Roy and national general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya went to Bongaon and met the BJP MP from the region, Shantanu Thakur,who is a representative of Matuas.

"Amitji's event had to be cancelled because of unavoidable situation in Delhi. He called Vijayvargiyaji and talked to Shantanu Thakur over phone. There is no reason to get disappointed. He (Shah) assured that he would visit the area any day in near future," said Roy.

Roy also said the stage which was set up for Shah's visit would not be dismantled. "It will be kept ready. Matuas will be informed shortly when Amitji is coming here," he added.

Shah's Bongaon visit was a much awaited event as the followers of the religious sect wanted him to announce a deadline for giving them citizenship by implementing the Citizenship Amendments Act. Matuas, who belong to the Scheduled Caste community and had migrated from East Bengal after 1947 Partition and 1971 war, voted for the BJP in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections en bloc after the saffron camp had promised them citizenship.

Bengal BJP functionaries planned to bring Shah to the Matua stronghold after the local MP, on several occasions, expressed his discontent over non-implementation of the the contentious CAA.

Using cancellation of Shah's visit as a political tool to regain the support-base, former TMC MP of the area **Mamatabala Thakur** alleged the BJP insulted Matuas by giving them false promise of citizenship before last general elections. "He (Shah) could have come here today for a few hours. It is a fact that the BJP has nothing to tell in front of the Matuas," she said.

Community wanted CAA deadline from Shah

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MP unhappy over delay in CAA implementation

Banking on Matuas' support, BJP made inroads in the region, giving a massive jolt to the Trinamool, which failed to retain two Lok Sabha seats in south Bengal. BJP functionaries planned to bring Shah to the Matua stronghold after the local MP expressed his discontent over non-implementation of the CAA

'WE HAVE ROBUST MECHANISM IN PLACE TO ADDRESS ADVERSE EVENTS'

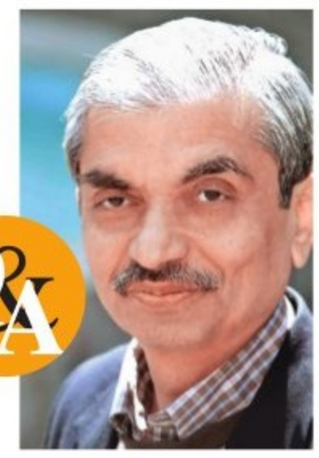
In a conversation with **Sumi Sukanya Dutta, Dr N K Arora**, head of the Operations Research group, National Covid-19 Task Force and advisor to the National Adverse Event Following Immunisation committee, explains how the experts are handling the adverse events following Covid vaccination.

Can you elaborate on the mechanism that has been put in place to monitor the side-effects of Covid-19 vaccination?
First, medical specialists and others have been added to the existing expert panel at national, state and district levels. Second, we have developed a dashboard on Co-WIN App, that can track, in real time, if any adverse events have occurred post vaccination. All these events are then reported to the national AEFI committee. Third, the national AEFI committee is taking stock of all the clinical events across the country on a daily basis. Every hospitalisation or death after the person receives the vaccine is labelled as serious AEFI, and a detailed clinical examination and postmortem is done.

There have been some deaths reported so far following Covid vaccinations (Eight till the time of this interview and 2 later) and in each of the cases, district AEFI committees have said that the death is not related to vaccines. Can you tell us how these conclusions are made?
We wanted to find out the exact cause of these deaths and therefore in six out of eight deaths, post-mortem examinations have been done. The immediate understanding is that none of these deaths are causally related to the administration of the vaccine. The national expert panel will again analyse the cause of these eight deaths using the WHO-recommended algorithm.

Some people feel there has been a lack of transparency in Covid-19 vaccine roll-out and this could be one of the reasons behind the vaccine hesitancy. How this can be addressed?
Some healthcare providers are not sure about the adequacy of the vaccine trials-related data presented to the regulator. We want to assure them that there was sufficient data and it was thoroughly scrutinised by the regulator. For Covishield, both national and international data were scrutinised and for Covaxin, all the available national data was scrutinised. Covishield was approved only after the regulators of the country of origin of this vaccine, the UK regulator, approved them. As for Covaxin, there is sufficient data available as far as safety of this vaccine is concerned. One part of the findings has already been published in the prestigious The Lancet journal. From the data we have, we know that the vaccine produces a good amount of antibodies.

What evolution will we see in the way adverse events after Covid-19 vaccines are monitored?
The Ministry of Health, scientists and the vaccine manufacturers are working at



two levels. One, the people who have received the vaccine as part of the clinical trial will be closely monitored for the next one year. And each and every adverse event will be analysed by the experts. Second, every recipient of the vaccine will have the name and number of the vaccinator who administered the vaccine to them. In case they face any health issue post vaccination, they can report it.

What do you think are the challenges in communicating AEFI following Covid-19 vaccinations versus other vaccinations in India?
We have over a decade's experience in handling adverse events post immunisation in the paediatric age group. The system of reporting them has already been in place but till now it was manual.

Read full interview on www.newindianexpress.com

AMU STUDENT BANISHED FROM ALIGARH CITY

ENS @ Lucknow

AN Aligarh Muslim University student leader has been banished from the city for six months as he participated in the anti-Citizenship Amendment Act protests on the campus more than a year ago. The district administration issued externment orders against Arif Khan Tyagi, claiming he was a threat to peace in the city.

AMU spokesman Professor Shafay Kidwai said Additional District Magistrate Rakesh Kumar Maalpani issued the order to the final-year postgraduate student last week under the UP Control of Goondas Act. Arif received it two days ago.

The anti-CAA protest on the AMU campus in December 2019 and January 2020 had turned violent, injuring over 70 people.

'Cong had warned Centre on farm stir'

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IN the meeting, Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad, Trinamool Congress's Sudip Bandyopadhyay, Shiv Sena MP Vinayak Raut and Akali Dal member Balwinder Singh Bhunder also spoke at length on the farmers' agitation. Azad reportedly said that the Congress had warned the Centre about the agitation and now the government has to deal with the consequences.

Most Opposition leaders were of the view that the government needs to discuss the laws again in both Houses of Parliament and also seek to address the misgivings of the agitating farmers. They also reportedly asked the government not to see them as enemies.

The Opposition condemned the violence during the tractor rally on January 26 but also demanded an investigation into how "outside elements" had infiltrated the farmers' movement. The farmers made similar allegations, blaming Punjabi actor-activist Deep Sidhu for instigating the mob and planting a Sikh religious flag at Red Fort.

Joshi said the budget session would take up 38 items — 33 bills and five financial items. Though it would be mainly devoted to business relating to the budget and a discussion on the motion of thanks on the President's address, essential legislative and other business would also be taken up.

STATES TOLD TO CONDUCT CHECK-UP OF KUMBH PILGRIMS

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

KEEPING in mind the prevailing pandemic situation, the Uttarakhand government has written to all states requesting them to conduct health check-up of devotees who would travel to attend the Mahakumbh 2021 and urging not to run any special buses for the religious congregation.

State chief secretary Om Prakash on Friday wrote to the chief secretaries of other states stating, "The states have to make sure that sick passengers do not proceed to the event."

He also informed that the state government would soon be releasing the SOP for the Haridwar Mahakumbh, scheduled to commence on February 27. He further said the government planned to put a cap on the number of visitors allowed at the Mela.

Interestingly, the state government has also requested the railways to not run any special trains for Kumbh so that the number of visitors to the two-month long event is limited. Earlier this week, Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat while leaving for his Almora tour from Dehradun had said that no risk should be taken that would turns the Haridwar Mahakumbh into Wuhan or 'Markaz'. So far more than 1,600 people have died in Uttarakhand die to the pandemic. Saints, business groups and other stakeholders have raised concerns that strict norms are bound to discourage pilgrims from travelling for the grand event.

EXPRESS READ

Info on donation for Ram temple sought

Raipur: The Chhattisgarh government has sought information from Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust about the organisations, authorised to collect donations for construction of the Ram temple in Ayodhya, citing an incident of a woman deceitfully obtaining funds for the cause.

IIM to study stress of CRPF personnel

Lucknow: Experts from IIM Lucknow will undertake a study and find solutions to the occupational "stress and strain" suffered by CRPF personnel that leads to extreme instances like suicides and breakdown of family support system. CRPF Director General A P Maheshwari signed a MoU in this regard.

State's tableau wins third prize in R-Day parade

Uttarakhand's tableau which rolled down on Rajpath during the Republic Day parade has secured third prize for the best tableax. This is the state's maiden award at the Republic Day celebrations in the national capital. The tableau titled 'Kedarkhand' showed Kedarnath temple besides featuring state bird monal pheasant, state animal musk deer and state flower Brahmakamal. Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat congratulated the team and said, "PM Modi has helped increase the grandeur of Kedarnath shrine through a reconstruction project in the aftermath of the 2013 flood tragedy."

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'Divyaangon Ki Bhagwaan' honoured with Padma Shri

Dehradun-based orthopaedic and spine surgeon Bhupendra Kumar Singh Sanjay who has been conferred Padma Shri is known for his empathy and compassion. Unable to take loss of lives in road accidents, he started an awareness campaign 18 years ago through media and lectures. "We need to understand that we cannot measure human life in terms of data, percentage or any other form. When a person dies, the family, his/her friends and relatives suffer. We should direct all our efforts towards preventing loss of lives due to human-induced reasons," said the surgeon. In his career spanning over 35 years, he has organised free health camps to address disabilities, treating more than 1 lakh people. He is popularly known as 'Divyaagon Ki Bhagwaan', (God of Specially Abled).

Multilingual remake of thriller being shot in city

Remake of the critically acclaimed Spanish thriller Julia's Eyes is being shot in four regional languages in several parts of Dehradun, Uttarakhand. The movie, which gained massive recognition in Europe, is being filmed in Bengali, Marathi, Tamil, and Telugu. The upcoming multi-starrer regional films have on board some of the most popular names of the film industry. It is noteworthy that for the first time in the history of Indian cinema, four separate multilingual films out of a single remake are being shot simultaneously, and that too in a stipulated time period.

Dehradun first in state to achieve 100% literacy

Dehradun has achieved 100 per cent literacy and become the first district in the state to achieve the milestone. In the last five months over 30,000 illiterate people were provided adequate education and made literate. Ashish Kumar Srivastava, district magistrate of Dehradun, said, "A total of 35,261 people between age group of 6-85 years were found to be illiterate through a survey, out of which 30,207 locals have been educated. We started this campaign with an aim to empower people." Though the district has a 100 per cent literacy, the administration will conduct a third-party audit to verify the level of education received by the new literates to rectify any shortcomings.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioners by name **1) P.N. Raghavendra, 2) Y. Veena Vittal, 3) Pramod P.N.**, all are residing at No. 1563, Bhavani Nivasa, 18th Main Road, Muneshwara Block, Govt. Electric Factory, Bangalore - 26, are filed petition under **C. Mis. No. 381/2021** for obtaining an order seeking direction to The Registrar of Births and Deaths, Office of the Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru to register the death of the deceased who is the mother of all petitioner who was by name **Smt. P.N. Lakshmi, W/o. P.S. Narasimha Murthy, died on 17-09-2015**, at No. 1838/1, Lakshmi Narasimha Krupa, 10th Cross, Bangalore - 98 and issue the direction accordingly obtain death certificate from the respondent. If any person interested to file their objection in this matter, may appear **at 11.00 a.m. on 02.02.2021** is posted for hearing, before the Sheristedar, XXXIII ACMM Court, Bengaluru from the date of issuance of this notice.

Advocate for Petitioner : **Smt. Pushpalatha V.**, Advocate No. 499, 20th Cross, 11th B Main, 5th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 041.

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

Notice is hereby given that the following Registered document, **1.** Sale Deed No.13791/94-95 dated 30-03-95 under Sub Registrar Peenya, **2.** Allotment Letter of GKW layout. Site No. 1043. Sale Deed Reg. No. 19821/02-03.dated 17/12/02, of Sri M Bhaskar, S/o Mayappa. No. 1129, 3rd Main Road, MC layout Vijayanagar. Bangalore. Misplaced and not traceable from 15/06/2020. While house shifting. If found Please return in **15 days** to the above said Address.

IN THE COURT OF CHIEF METROPLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
C Mis. No. 4024/2020

BETWEEN : Mrs. Mini Mol ET, W/o. Late Ani.K, Age about 45 years, R/a 20, 1st 'A' Cross, Jakkur Layout, Jakkur Post, Yelahanka Hobali, Bengaluru-560064 : Petitioner
AND : **The Commissioner**, Registrar of Birth and Death, Yelahanka Zone, BBMP - Bengaluru : Respondent

PAPER PUBLICATION / PUBLICATION NOTICE

Whereas the above named pettioner No.1 have made petition to this court under section 13(3) of birth of death Registration act, for the grant of death of deceased - ANI.K @ K.ANIL KUMAR, S/o. Late Achchu Died 19-02-2018 at R/a 20, 1st 'A' Cross, Jakkur Layout, Jakkur Post, Yelahanka Hobali, Bengaluru 560064. Interested parties are hereby called the appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on date 05.02.2021 at about 11.00 am informed to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declare as ex-parte, the same is yet to be published in HOSA DIGANTHA - KANNDA DAILY NEWS PAPER DECCAN HERALD ENGLISH DAILY NEWSPAPER. Given under my hand and seal of the court this 12 day of January 2021 at Bengaluru.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Sheristedar, CMM Court, Bengaluru
Applicant for Advocate, Kumar K- 9902861526

IN THE COURT OF CHIEF METROPLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
C Mis. No. 4023/2020

BETWEEN : Mr.Khadri Narashimaiah, S/o. Dalinarasappa, Age about 69 years, R/a 96, Kallammaji building, 1st main Road, Byatarayanapura, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560092 : Petitioner
AND : **The Commissioner**, Registrar of Birth and Death, Yelahanka Zone, BBMP - Bengaluru : Respondent

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Whereas the above named pettioner No.1 have made petition to this court under section 13(3) of birth of death Registration act, for the grant of death of deceased - SRINIVASAIAH @ SRINIVAS S/o. KHADRI NARASIMHAIAH Died 15-10-2006 at R/NO 96, Kallammaji building, 1st Main Road, Byatarayanapura, Bengaluru north Bengaluru 560092. Interested parties are hereby called the appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on date 05.02.2021 at about 11.00 am infomed to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declare as ex-parte, the same is yet to be published in HOSA DIGANTHA - KANNDA DAILY NEWS PAPER DECCAN HERALD ENGLISH DAILY NEWSPAPER. Given under my hand and seal of the court this 12 day of January 2021 at Bengaluru.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Sheristedar, CMM Court, Bengaluru
Applicant for Advocate, Kumar K- 9902861526

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT HOSKOTE
C.Misc. No. 47/2020

BETWEEN: AFROZPASHA, S/o Late Husenshariet, aged about 34 years, R/at. Bylanarasapura Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District...**Petitioner**

AND: The Tahsildar, Hoskote Taluk, Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural District ...**Respondent**

GENERAL PUBLIC NOTICE

The above named petitioner have filed the above petition seeking direction to the respondent authority to enter the name of one **Abdulsharief S/o late Budansharief. The grandfather of petitioner who died on 01.05.1992** at residence Bylanarasapura Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, in the birth and death register. Since the above matter is posed for 03.03.2021. Before the court of additional civil judge and JMFC Court at Hoskote. Therefore any person intersted may appear before the court on the said date either in person or Advocate, failing which matter will be disposed on ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 28.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Sheristedar, Civil Judge & JMFC, Hoskote.

Address of the Advocate: **NARAYANASWAMY .M** Behind Taluk Panchayath Office, Kammavaripete, Hoskote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C AT NELAMANGALA
Crl.Misc.No. 45/2021

BETWEEN: 1. Sri Mahesh .G.M, S/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 48 years. **2. Smt Kalavathi** D/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 40 years. **3. Sri. Muthuraju .G.K**, S/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 55 years, **4. Smt Munilakshmamma,** D/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 50 years, **5. Sri Honnaiah**, S/o Late Doddamuniyappa, aged about 70 years. **6. Sri Suresh G.H.** S/o Sri Honnaiah, aged about 48 years. **All are R/at** Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-562123... **Petitioners**

AND : The Tahashildar, Bengaluru North Taluk, Kandaya Bhavana, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560009 ...**Respondent**

NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioners have filed above Petition for obtaining Death Certificate of late Muddamma W/o late Doddamuniyappa (Grandmother of Petitioner No.1 to 4 and 6, and mother of petitioner No.5), who died on 16.03.1967 at Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District. If there are any persons having claim, they may appear before Court in person or through Pleader on **22.02.2021** at 11.00 A.M., failing which the Petition will be disposed off according to law.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 27.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, Junior Division, and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioners: **Sri. PRASANNA KUMAR T.N** No.4, 1st Floor, "Ayodhya Complex", Mini Vidhanasoudha Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C AT NELAMANGALA
Crl.Misc.No. 46/2021

BETWEEN: 1. Sri Mahesh .G.M, S/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 48 years. **2. Smt Kalavathi** D/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 40 years. **3. Sri. Muthuraju .G.K**, S/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 55 years, **4. Smt Munilakshmamma,** D/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 50 years, **5. Sri Honnaiah**, S/o Late Doddamuniyappa, aged about 70 years. **6. Sri Suresh G.H.** S/o Sri Honnaiah, aged about 48 years. **All are R/at** Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-562123... **Petitioners**

AND : The Tahashildar, Bengaluru North Taluk, Kandaya Bhavana, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560009 ...**Respondent**

NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioners have filed above Petition for obtaining Death Certificate of late Kalingappa S/o late Doddamuniyappa (Father of Petitioner No.3 to 4, brother of petitioner No.5 and uncle for petitioner No.1, 2 and 6), who died on 19.04.1968 at Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District. If there are any persons having claim, they may appear before Court in person or through Pleader on **22.02.2021** at 11.00 A.M., failing which the Petition will be disposed off according to law.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 27.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, Junior Division, and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioners: **Sri. PRASANNA KUMAR T.N** No.4, 1st Floor, "Ayodhya Complex", Mini Vidhanasoudha Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C AT NELAMANGALA
Crl.Misc.No. 44/2021

BETWEEN: 1. Sri Mahesh .G.M, S/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 48 years. **2. Smt Kalavathi** D/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 40 years. **3. Sri. Muthuraju .G.K**, S/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 55 years, **4. Smt Munilakshmamma,** D/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 50 years, **5. Sri Honnaiah**, S/o Late Doddamuniyappa, aged about 70 years. **6. Sri Suresh G.H.** S/o Sri Honnaiah, aged about 48 years. **All are R/at** Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-562123... **Petitioners**

AND : The Tahashildar, Bengaluru North Taluk, Kandaya Bhavana, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560009 ...**Respondent**

NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioners have filed above Petition for obtaining Death Certificate of late Doddamuniyappa, S/o late Kalingaiah (Grandfather of Petitioner No.1 to 4 and 6, and father of petitioner No.5), who died on 25.07.1975 at Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District. If there are any persons having claim, they may appear before Court in person or through Pleader on **22.02.2021** at 11.00 A.M., failing which the Petition will be disposed off according to law.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 27.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, Junior Division, and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioners: **Sri. PRASANNA KUMAR T.N** No.4, 1st Floor, "Ayodhya Complex", Mini Vidhanasoudha Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that our clients **Sri.Vinod Kumar.S** and **Sri.Varun Kumar.S** lost their original property documents nos. (i) 217/1972-73, (ii) 2457/1980-81 (iii) 2276/1983-84 and 4008/2000-01 registered at Srirampura sub registrar Bangalore, pertaining to the property bearing site no. 6, Kempapura Agrahara, Padarayanapura Bangalore measuring 15 x 65 and bounded on : **East by :** property no.5, **West by :** same property, **North by :** others, **South by :** Government road, presently known as No.6, 5th Main, B Block, Bhuvaneswarinagara, Cheluvappa Garden, Bangalore. In this regard a police complaint dated 29/1/2021 was lodged with Bangalore city police in e-lost report no.017907/2021. If any person/s finds the said document kindly inform the advocate stated herein. If any person/s misuses the said document, the same is not binding on our client and they shall do so at their own risk.

Adv C V Siju, M/s. Law Links
No.307, 3rd Floor, Sophias Choice, St. Marks Road, Bangalore-560001
9845062318, advcvsiju@gmail.com

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ರಸ್ತೆ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ

ಯೋಜನಾ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಪಿ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.ಡಿ ಮಿನಿ ಸೌಧ, IIIನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಮೈದಾನ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು –575001. ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂ. 0824 2421544, ಮೊಬೈಲ್: 9449599472
ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್: 0824–2421544 ಇ–ಮೇಲ್: kn-dkn@pmgsy.nic.in

NO:PD/MNG/NGNRY/KS 11-68/KA 11-69/Tend//2020-21/TCH/1379 Date: 29.01.2021

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಗೆ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ–1

ಈ ಕಚೇರಿಯ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ **NO:PD/MNG/NGNRY/KS 11-68/KA 11-69/Tend//2020-21/TCH/1350 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 19.01.2021** ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕರೆದ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಮುಂದೂಡಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಬಿಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಲು ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08.02.2021, 16.00 ಗಂಟೆ** ಎಂದು ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ಗೆ ಲಾಗ್ ಆನ್ ಆಗಿ ವಿವರ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಅಥವಾ ಈ ಕಚೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಚೇರಿ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್
ಯೋಜನಾ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು
DIPR/ADM/MCA/811/20-21 dt.30.1.2021

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919
BELLARY THERMAL POWER STATION

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

Bids are invited in two-cover system for the e-Auction of following scrap material available at BTPS, KPCL, The e-Auction details can be downloaded from E-procurement portal. **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Description of the Materials:** Sale of Released Conveyor Belts on As is Where is Basis available at Ballari Thermal Power Station. **e-Auction No and Date:** KPCL/2020-21/AUCTION172 Date: 29.01.2021. **Last date for receipt of bids:** 19.02.2021. For any clarification on e-procurement, bidders can contact HELP DESK at 080-22340060 /22340948. Any details required in this regard can also be had during office hours from the office of the Superintending Engineer (S&P) BT, KPCL, BTPS, Kudathini, Bellary Dist, Karnataka. Fax No: 08392-288616 Mobile No: 09448290584, Email: sespbtps@gmail.com

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(KALINADI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT-Ambikanagar)
CIN : U85110KA970SGC001919

No.: KPCL/Tender/Corrigendum-I/UPS/2681 Date: 27.01.2021

CORRIGENDUM-I

In the Tender Notification No. **KPCL/2020-21/ IND3997, Dtd. 11.01.2021** for the work of **"Supply of 01 Nos. of 5 KVA ONLINE UPS System with isolation transformer suitable for single phase AC input of make: Microtek/Luminous/ Numeric of equivalent along with 16 Nos. of 12V 150 AH tubular Batteries (192 Volt DC for 10A Load) of Make Exide/Amaron/equivalent including stand for batteries (With installation testing and commissioning at site)".** Published in this daily on: **13.01.2021,** the following changes have been made: Last Date & Time for online submission of tenders is upto: **05.02.2021 at 17:00 Hrs.** Date & Time for opening of Technical Bid: **08.02.2021 at 10:00 Hrs.** All other terms and conditions remain unaltered. Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (MSP)-A, KPCL, Ambikanagar - 581363, N.K. District.** Mobile No.: **9449599113,** Tel. No.: **08284 258681.** e-mail ID: **eemspa@gmail.com.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my client **Sri Imran Ahmed**, aged about 42 years, S/o Abdul Basheer, No.28, 3rd Cross, M.I.T. Layout, Kushalnagar, Kadugondanahalli, Bengaluru, is the owner of site bearing No.156, measuring East to West 9 meters and North to South 12 meters, situated at 17th Block, K. Narayanapura, Arkavathi Layout, Bengaluru, having acquired the same by virtue of registered sale deed for valuable sale consideration.

While travelling in bus from my house to K. Narayanapura, on 09.01.2020 the said registered sale deed along with other documents were misplaced, inspite of his best efforts he could not able to trace out the same and in this regard he lodged a complaint before the police authority which is registered as lost report No.014966/2021 dated 26.01.2021. If anybody has trace out the same, please hand over the same either to my client or to the undersigned.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site bearing No.156, measuring East to West 9 meters and North to South 12 meters, situated at 17th Block, K. Narayanapura, Arkavathi Layout, Bengaluru, bounded on the: **East by:** Site No.168, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No.157, **South by:** Site No.155.

K.V. RAMU, Advocate
No. 12/2, 10th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560002, M: 9844378747. Date: 29.01.2021.

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TAMIL NADU STATE TRANSPORT CORPORATION (KUMBAKONAM) LIMITED, KUMBAKONAM.

TENDER NOTICE

Ref. No. 2/2021-2022 **Dated: 29.01.2021**

Sealed Tenders are invited by The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation, (Kumbakonam)Limited, Kumbakonam from the Registered Contractors of Government Departments like PWD, Municipal Corporation etc., for the following works upto 02.00 PM on 01.03.2021. The Tenders will be opened by the Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation, (Kumbakonam)Limited, Kumbakonam (or) his authorized official in the Corporate Office on the same day at 03.00 P.M. If the office happens to be closed on the date of receipt of the Tender specified, the Tender will be opened on next working day. The Contractor who wish to participate in the Tender may down load the Tender documents through **https://tenders.tn.gov.in** on or before 28.02.2021 up to 04.00 P.M. Any other information's may be obtained from the Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation, (Kumbakonam)Limited, Kumbakonam at the above office during office hours. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporation, (Kumbakonam)Limited, Kumbakonam has every right to cancel / postpone the Tender in view of Administrative reasons. The tender schedule may also be obtained on Payment of cost of tender schedule along with Postal Charges Rs.50 from the Deputy Manager (Civil-Corp) Tami Nadu State Transport Corporation (Kumbakonam) Limited, Kumbakonam. No: 27, Railway Station New Road, Kumbakonam 612 001.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Estimate Cost (Rs.in Crore)	Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.in Lakhs)	Cost of Tender Schedule (Rs.)	Contractor Class
1.	Construction of Additional Mofussil Bus Stand with Buildings for Commercial Complex and infrastructure facilities, at Thronakalpatti village, Karur	40.00	40.00	15,000 + GST 18%	I Class

DIPR/651/Tender/2021 **Managing Director**

Government of Karnataka

Public Works Department

Office of the Executive Engineer, P.W.D, Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura

Invitation for short term tender (IFT) No.: 22/2020-21 **Dated: 28.01.2021**

(KW-4 Two cover System as per Standard Biding Document for Road Work)

By a Registered Eligible Contractors in the Department of Public Works Tenders for Two Cover System through the e-Procurement Portal are invited by the under signed of the Karnataka Transport in Public Procurement Act 2000, in the name of the Governor of Karnataka. Those who wish to participate in the Tenders can submit till **4.00 pm on 29.01.2021 to 09.02.2021**

(1) Last Date for Objection-Doubts and Explanations: **30.01.2021 at 3.00 PM** at above Office **(2)** Last Date of submission of Tender Documents: **09.02.2021 upto 4.00 PM (3)** Technical bid will be opened Date:**11.02.2021 upto 11.00 AM (4)** The financial bid will be opened after the technical bid is approved.

Further details may be obtained from the above office during hours on works days or from websites **www.kpwd.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD, Chikkaballapur Division, Chikkaballapur

DIPR/CHIKKABALLAPUR/SHIRDI SAI/300/2020-21

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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer 2 & 3, (Lakes), 3rd Floor, Annex-3 Building, BBMP Head Office, N.R.Square, Bangalore-560002

No: EE/2&3(Lakes)/TEND/13/2020-21 Date : 30.01.2021

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Engineer, 2 & 3 (Lakes) BBMP, invites tenders on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP, Bangalore invites proposals (Technical & Financial) for appointing consultants for Providing Project Management Consultancy Services including construction Supervision and Qaulity Control for the works detailed in he table below. Tenders must be accompanied by Earnest Money Deposit Declaration form as specified in the Tender Document as per G.O.No.: FD 675 Expenditure-12/2020 Dated: 22.12.2020.

SL No.	Name of the work	Cost of the Project (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Project Management Consultancy services for Improvements to Lake bed and Pathway for Mallathahalli Lake Package-XII	1150.00
2	Project Management Consultancy Services for Construction of Retaining wall for Mallathahalli Lake-XIII	2200.00
3	Project Management Consultancy Services for Improvements to Mathikere Lake (J.P.Park) Package-XVI	1850.00
4	Project Management Consultancy Services for Development of Nagarbhavi and Halgevaderahalli Lake Package-XVIII	1500.00

(1) Tender Documents may be downloaded through e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka from **03.02.2021. (2)** Bids must be submitted online through e-procurment portal on or before **16.00 hours on 06.03.2021** (3) Pre bid meeting will be held on **25.02.2021 at 16.00 Hours,** (4) Technical Bids will be opened on **08.03.2021 at 16.30 hours.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer 2 & 3, Lakes.

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Government of Karnataka

RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DEPARTMENT

Office Of Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation division Belagavi
Near Krishna Devaraya Circle, 1 st Floor of PRED Division, Nehru Nagar- 590010

E-Mail: ee.rdws.bgm@gmail.com phone: 0831-2420835/2420836

No. EE/RDW&S/BGM/PB-3/NOTIFICATION/2020-21/3849 Date: 29-01-2021

EXTENSION OF TENDER SUBMISSION DATE

The Tender Notification No:, 1) RDW&S/BGM/PB-2,3,4/TND-41/KW-3/2020-21/2719 Dated:30-11-2020 2) RDW&S/BGM/PB-2,3,4,/TND-42/KW-3/2020-21/2721 Dated: 30-11-2020 which has been earlier published from this office has been extended as below:

1) Last date & time for receipt of tender: 06-02-2021 before 05:30 PM
2) Date & time for opening of Technical Bid: 08-02-2021 after 11:00AM
3) Date & time for Opening of Financial Bid: After technical bid is approved

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಹೆಸರು	ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಹಣ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಲು ನಿಗದಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ಕಾಲಮಿತಿ (ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಒಳಗೊಂಡು)	ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮತ್ತು ವರ್ಗಗಳು
	Ramdurg Taluka				
1	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT31801	51.68	1.03	60 Days	Class III & above
2	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 31802	65.42	1.31	60 Days	Class III & above
3	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29450	57.52	1.15	60 Days	Class III & above
4	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29443	80.65	1.61	60 Days	Class III & above
5	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29454	64.93	1.30	60 Days	Class III & above
6	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29460	86.31	1.73	60 Days	Class III & above
7	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29461	81.97	1.64	90 Days	Class III & above
8	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29441	86.65	1.73	90 Days	Class III & above
9	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT 29448	31.63	0.63	60 Days	Class III & above (other Category Contractors)
	Bailhongal Taluka				
1	RWSSD/2020-21/WS/WORK_INDENT27652	188.27	3.00	60 Days	Class III & above

Note: All Other points and conditions are same as published in earlier notification
For More details can be had from the office of the undersigned and also through website www.eproc.Karnataka.gov.in by clicking list of Tenders which will link to all dept works list.

Sd/-
Executixe Engineer,
RDW & S Divisign, Belagavi.

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Christian Medical College & Hospital Ludhiana - 141008.
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Contact No:
9844041530
08026561797

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I, **MERLA VEERA VENKATA SATYA VARAPRASAD REDDY** S/o Hanuma Reddy Merla, R/o 19/2 1st Main, 1st Cross Kanaka Layout, Kadirenahalli, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560070 have changed my name as **VARAPRASAD REDDY MERLA** vide affidavit dated 30/01/2021 sworn before notary B.Chitra, B'lore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Meghana, D/o P. Radhakrishna, R/at #72, Raghavendra colony, 5th Main, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018, have changed my name to **'MEGHANA PANDESHWARA RADHAKRISHNA'** vide Affidavit dated 29.01.2021. Sworn before Advocate & Notary Manjula Jangam, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHRADDHA KEDIA** W/o Sri Nithesh Kedia, aged about 31 years, R/at No.1/1, 64/2, Gurumurthappa Garden, Sarakki Main Road, J P Nagar I Phase, Bengaluru 560 078, have changed my name from **SHRADDHA KEDIA** to **"SHRADDHA PATEL"** Vide affidavit dated 29.01.2021 sworn to before **T. C. Thimmaraja** Notary at Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Smt. SUDHA .M**, W/o Late Muruganandam .C, aged about 35 years, R/at No.59, 1st Cross, Mother Theresa Road, Marianna Palya Layout, HA Farm Post, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bangalore-24, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **SHOBA .M** to **GANAVI .M**, hereafter she will be known and called as **GANAVI .M** only, vide affidavit dated 20.1.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary **S. JAYANNA**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **TRIVENI ANIL KUMAR**, aged about 48 years, W/o Mr. Anil Kumar Kuntanahal, R/at Flat No. 103, No.18, 9th Cross, Lakshmanappa Garden, Near Chennammana Kere Police Station, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-85, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **TRIVENI TADAPATRI** to **TRIVENI ANIL KUMAR**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **TRIVENI ANIL KUMAR** only, vide affidavit dated 29.01.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary **ARAVIND PATIL .G.G**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **UMAMAHESWARI DEVI MANDUVAKURITI**, W/o Kottisa Umamaheswara Rao, R/at No. 193, Ferns Habitat Layout, Doddanekkundi, Outer Ring Road, Bengaluru-37, Karnataka State, have changed my old name **UMAMAHESWARI DEVI MANDUVAKURITI,** to new name **KOTTISA UMAMAHESWARI DEVI**, vide affidavit dated 27-01-2021, before the Notary **SIVAKUMARA .M.N**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **P. LAKSHMAMMA**, W/o Anil Kumar Vijendra Reddy, R/at #44/1A, H M Krishna Reddy Nilaya, H M Krishna Layout, Opp. to AECS Layout 'A' Block, Chinnappanahalli, Marathahalli Post, Bengaluru-37, Karnataka State, have changed my name to **LAKSHMI ANIL KUMAR**, vide affidavit dated 30.01.2021, sworn before Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N**, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **AVERINE DIAS**, aged about 27 years, W/o Gavin James Dias, R/at #17, Shalom, 'O' Cross, Mangala Layout, Bengaluru-84, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AVERINE .J** to **AVERINE DIAS**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **AVERINE DIAS** only, vide affidavit dated 30.01.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary **G. KASPAR**, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

We, **Mr. RAJESH KRISHNAMURTHY & Mrs. BHARATHI PASUPARTHI RADHAKRISHNAIAH**, R/at No.2/21, 4th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-27, have changed the name of our son from **CHIRANTAN RAJESH** (Old Name) to **CHIRANTAN PIRIYAPATNA RAJESH** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 30.01.2021, before Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N**, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **LAKSHMA REDDY,** R/at Sy No.129/2, Sri Yelamma Devi Nilaya, Rayasandra Village Huskur, Bengaluru-560099, have changed my name to **LAKSHMA REDDYCHINNAPPA REDDY** vide affidavit dated: 28/1/2021 Before Notary **N.Shankar** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NAZIA RAMZAN PADANIA,** R/at Flat No.106, 1st Floor, Safco Blue Sky Apartment, Geddalahalli Village, Bengaluru -560077, have changed my name to **NAZIA SHOUKAT VASAYA** vide affidavit dated:29/1/2021 Before Notary **Smt.Rajamani** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NEELAMMA,** R/at Sy No.129/2, Sri Yelamma Devi Nilaya, Rayasandra Village Huskur, Bengaluru-560099, have changed my name to **NEELAMMA LAKSHMA REDDY** vide affidavit dated: 28/1/2021 Before Notary **N.Shankar** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SUBEEYA TARANUM** R/at No.27/5, Mittaganahalli Cross, Kogilu Yelahanka OldTown, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064 have changed my name to **SHAIK SUBEEYA TARANUM** vide affidavit dated:29/1/2021 Before Notary **Smt.Rajamani** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SYED NAZEER AHMED,** R/at No.1687, 2nd Cross, Kushal Nagar,K G Halli, Bengaluru-560045 have changed my name to **SYED MUJAHID PASHA** vide affidavit dated:29/1/2021 Before Notary **Smt.Rajamani** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) AMEENA MOHSIN, residing at No. 22, E No. 8th Street, H.K.P.Road Cross, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560051, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) AMEENA MOHSIN** to **(NEW NAME) AMEENA IRSHAD** vide affidavit Dated 25/01/2021 sworn before Notary N.Nagappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) N.GIRISH, S/o. Nagaraj Kattappa, residing at No. 1333, 27th Cross, 27th Main, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) N.GIRISH** to **(NEW NAME) GIRISH NAGARAJ** vide affidavit Dated 29/01/2021 sworn before Notary K.V.Mani, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) SWAPNA VIJAY KABUGADE, W/o. Abhasu Shankar Metkari, residing at No. 19/1, R.No. 1st Street Murga Pillai Street, Bengaluru-560051, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SWAPNA VIJAY KABUGADE** to **(NEW NAME) SWAPNA ABHASU METKARI** vide affidavit Dated 30/01/2021 sworn before Notary N.Nagappa, Bangalore.

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I, (OLD NAME) RIZWANA HASSAN, residing at Flat No. 002, Spendour, No. 9/1, Lloyd Road, Cooke Town, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560005, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) RIZWANA HASSAN** to **(NEW NAME) RIZWANA KHANUM** vide affidavit Dated 30/01/2021 sworn before Notary N.Nagappa, Bangalore.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) SULATA MANDAL, W/o. Mathur Mohan Mondal, residing at GF-03, Ground Floor, Sai Siri Pearl, 27th Cross, Kenchanahalli, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore-560098, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SULATA MONDAL** vide affidavit Dated 29/01/2021 sworn before Notary V.Srinivasa Reddy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I,**Arun Kumar C** (old name) S/o. Chandrappa, R/at No. 21, 8th Main, 1st Cross, BTM 4th Stage, 2nd Block, Behind SBI Bank, Bangalore - 560 076, have changed my name as **ARUN ADHISHVAR AZAD** (New name) vide affidavit dated 25.01.2021 sworn before Advocate & Notary Harisha G. Bangalore

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Biden sees Quad as foundation for Indo-Pacific policy

New administration will build on and carry forward the anti-China four-nation grouping, says US National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan

WASHINGTON

THE new Biden administration sees the Quad grouping comprising the US, India, Japan and Australia as a fundamental foundation upon which to build a substantial American policy in the strategically-vital Indo-Pacific region, a top US official has said.

National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan said at an event organised by the US Institute of Peace, a Congress-funded think-tank, on Friday that the US will build on and carry forward the four-nation Quad grouping.

"One very positive thing we will be building on, (former NSA) Robert (O'Brien) mentioned the Quad, which for those watching who don't know is the United States, Japan, Australia, and India," Sullivan said. "There too I think we really want to carry forward and build on that format, that mechanism which we see as fundamental a foundation upon which to build substantial American policy in the Indo-Pacific region," he said.

Quad and the Indo-Pacific policy of the previous Trump administration are one of the few policies that the Biden administration has said it will continue to build on, besides the Abraham Accords,

US President Joe Biden salutes as he arrives at the White House in Washington | AFP

Sullivan said.

"Those are in two different theaters in the world and two initiatives that you will see continuity and an effort to reinforce and carry forward steps that have been taken by the previous administration," he said.

"When the first Accords with the UAE, Bahrain were announced, it was in the heat of a political campaign, a presidential campaign, and then candidate Biden made no bones about coming out saying: 'I think this is a good thing. I think this is a positive thing'," he said. Biden said consistently over the course of the last several months that he would like to carry forward this initiative, deepen the cooperation between the countries that have signed the accords, make real normalisation that has taken root and add more countries, he said. "He sees that as being positive for security in the region, positive for economic development, in the region, and positive for US's national interest for many of the reasons that Robert laid out," Sullivan said.

In November 2017, India, Japan, the US and Australia gave shape to the long-pending proposal of setting up the Quad to develop a new strategy to counter China's aggressive behaviour. *AFP*

Court allows US to expel children at border

A federal appeals court on Friday ruled that the US government could resume expelling immigrant children who cross the southern border unaccompanied by a parent. The US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit's stay of a lower court ruling allows President Joe Biden to resume expulsions begun by Donald Trump

Pressure on Biden to secure release of US prisoner in Af

On the one-year anniversary of US Navy veteran Mark Frerichs' abduction, family members are urging Joe Biden not to withdraw additional troops without him being released from captivity. Frerichs was abducted one year ago while working in the country on engineering projects. US officials believe he is in the custody of the Haqqani network

Blinken seeks accountability in Daniel Pearl murder case

WASHINGTON

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken has spoken over phone with Pakistan's Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi and discussed the accountability of convicted terrorists responsible for the brutal murder of American journalist Daniel Pearl, according to the State Department.

Pearl, the 38-year-old South Asia bureau chief for *The Wall Street Journal*, was abducted and beheaded while he was in Pakistan investigating a story in 2002 on the links between the country's powerful spy agency ISI and al-Qaeda.

State Department Spokesperson Ned Price said on Friday that Blinken reinforced America's concern over Pakistan Supreme Court's ruling acquitting Pearl's killers.

"Blinken and Qureshi discussed how to ensure accountability for convicted terrorist Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh and others responsible for the kidnapping and murder of American journalist Daniel Pearl," Price said.

In addition, Blinken and Qureshi discussed the importance of continued US-Pakistan cooperation on the Afghan peace process, support for regional stability, and the potential to expand our trade and commercial ties, Price said.

The Pakistan Foreign Office said in a statement that the two leaders discussed 'recent developments in the Daniel Pearl case' and Qureshi 'underscored that it was important and in the mutual interest that justice is served through legal means.'

Qureshi congratulated Secretary Blinken on assuming his office, underscoring Pakistan's commitment to forging a comprehensive partnership with the US based on the convergence of interests on a whole range of issues, it said. Qureshi told Blinken that peace in Afghanistan through a negotiated political settlement was one of the fundamental convergences between the two countries. PTI

ANTITRUST

W Virginia newspaper sues Google, Facebook

WASHINGTON

A news publisher in the US state of West Virginia has filed an antitrust suit against Google and Facebook, who together receive roughly half of all digital ad dollars in the US and are facing antitrust charges from federal and state authorities.

The company, HD Media, owns several papers in the state, including the *Herald-Dispatch* in *Huntington* and the *Charleston Gazette-Mail*. HD Media claims Google has so monopolised the online ad market that "it threatens the extinction of local newspapers across the country."

The suit also alleges that Google and Facebook conspired to further their dominance with a secret agreement, referring to a suit filed by 10 Republican attorneys general in December.

The company does not specify the impact on its business of the behavior of Facebook and Google beyond saying that it has hurt its ability to 'effectively monetise its content' because Google is enabled to take an uncompetitive share of the news publisher's ad revenues.

A lawyer for the company declined to speak on the record.

It's the first antitrust lawsuit against a tech platform focused on news publishing, said David Chavern, head of the news trade group News Media Alliance. He said the group was not involved in the suit.

HD Media filed in federal court in West Virginia and asked for a jury trial. It asked for unspecified damages and that the court stop Google and Facebook from the uncompetitive conduct it is alleging.

The newspaper industry has been on a long decline, with steep job losses and publications getting thinner and even disappearing. Online ad revenues have been unable to offset print-ad losses. Federal and state antitrust authorities have sued both Google and Facebook in recent months. The Justice Department alleges that Google abuses its dominance in online search and advertising. Facebook didn't reply to a request for comment. *PTI*

UAE OFFERS CITIZENSHIP TO FOREIGNERS IN MAJOR POLICY SHIFT

The UAE announced on Saturday it is opening a path to citizenship for select foreigners, in a rare move for the Gulf where the status and its welfare benefits are jealously guarded

UAE ruler Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

WHY NOW?

The new shift is expected to help the UAE attract talent to boost its economic growth. Experts say the new policy will help the country bring in investment and diversify its economy

THOSE ELIGIBLE NEEDS NOMINATION

The UAE cabinet, local Emiri courts & executive councils will nominate those eligible for the citizenship under clear criteria set for each category. The law allows receivers of the UAE passport to keep their existing citizenship

OFFER TO PALESTINIANS

The UAE citizenship previously given to Palestinians and others who helped form the country's government in 1971

ELIGIBLE FOR WELFARE GRANTS?

It wasn't immediately clear if the citizenship also would grant rights to the UAE's cradle-to-grave social programmes for foreigners

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE?

- Specialist doctors
- **Scientists who are active researchers in a university or research centre with a practical experience of not less than 10 years.** They should have made contributions to the scientific field, such as winning a prestigious scientific award, or securing substantial funding for their research during the past ten years. They will also need a recommendation letter from a recognised scientific institution in the UAE
- **Inventors who have obtained one or more patents that are approved by the UAE Ministry of Economy or any other reputable international body**
- Intellectuals and artists who are pioneers in the culture and art fields and winners of one or more international award. A recommendation letter from related government entities is mandatory as well

DID YOU KNOW?

Citizens make up a small minority of the population of the UAE, which has a huge migrant labour force, largely from south Asia, some of whom are second or third generation residents

Gandhi statue vandalised in California

WASHINGTON

INDIA on Saturday condemned the vandalisation of the Mahatma Gandhi Statue in Davis, California. "The government of India strongly condemns this malicious and despicable act against a universally respected icon of peace and justice," a statement from the ministry of external affairs said.

The Embassy of India in Washington DC has taken up the matter with the US Department of State for a thorough investigation. It is seeking appropriate action against those responsible for "this despicable act". The six feet tall bronze statue, which was gifted by India and is situated at the Central Park in Davis, was vandalised on January 28.

Unknown miscreants have broken and ripped the statue from its base.

"The 6-ft tall, 650-pound (294 kg) bronze statue of Gandhi, in the Central Park of the City of Davis in Northern California, appeared to have been sawed off at the ankles and half its face was severed and missing," local *Davis Enterprise* daily reported.

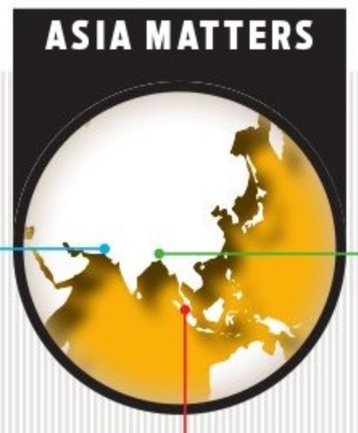
The vandalised statue of Mahatma Gandhi was found by a park employee in the early hours of morning of January 27, the police said.

The statue is being removed and will be stored in a safe place until it can be evaluated, said Davis City councilman Lucas Frerichs.

Investigators are still unsure of when exactly the statue was torn down or what the motive may have been, *The Sacramento Bee* reported.

"We are taking it very seriously," Deputy Chief Paul Doroshov of the Davis Police Department was quoted as saying by the daily.

ASIA MATTERS



PAKISTAN

Pakistan set to receive first tranche of Covid vaccines from China

Pakistan will send a special plane to China on Sunday to bring back the first batch of the 500,000 doses of Covid-19 vaccine that Beijing has promised to provide to its close ally. The National Command and Operation Center (NCOC), during a meeting here on the strategy of vaccine administration, said on Saturday that the country is geared up for the vaccination programme. "The forum was apprised that a special plane will fly to China tomorrow (Sunday) for transportation of the first tranche of vaccine," according to a statement from the NCOC. The move comes after Pakistan Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi on January 21, following a call with his Wang Yi, had announced that China will provide 5,00,000 doses of vaccines to Pakistan.

SINGAPORE

Travel arrangements with Malaysia to be suspended

Singapore will suspend reciprocal green lane travel arrangement with Malaysia, Germany and South Korea for three months from Monday due to the resurgence of Covid-19 cases across the world. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Saturday said that Singapore will continue to monitor the global situation and adjust border measures to manage the risk of importation and transmission of the deadly virus. The RGL arrangement allows residents of countries in the scheme to conduct short-term travel for essential purposes

BANGLADESH

Another thousand Rohingyas banished

Bangladesh's government sent a fourth group of Rohingya Muslim refugees to an island in the Bay of Bengal on Saturday, ignoring calls from human rights groups for a halt to the move. The 1,466 Rohingya who had been living in the sprawling refugee camps of Cox's Bazar were sent Saturday to Bhasan Char, an island specifically developed to accommodate 1,00,000 of the 1 million Rohingya who have fled from neighbouring Myanmar. That follows 1,776 refugees who made the trip on Friday. The relocations began in December and have been criticised by human rights groups, who say many of the refugees are being forced to move against their will. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and her government have denied that and said the relocations will continue.

EXPRESS READ

UK man jailed over suspicious package

Police in southeast England have charged a 53-year-old man with sending a suspicious package to a coronavirus vaccine production site in north Wales earlier this week. A spokesman for Kent Police said on Saturday that Anthony Collins has been charged with dispatching an article by post "with the intention of inducing the belief it is likely to explode or ignite." " Collins is set to appear before a court around 40 miles (65 kilometers) southeast of London.

China shuts down 18,489 websites

China, which tightly controls the country's internet access, shut down 18,489 "illegal" websites last year and issued warning notices to 4,551 online platforms, according to the official media. Some of the websites were shut down for promoting online games or dating information in the guise of online courses while others were punished for spreading illegal materials, including pornographic and violent content, according to the Cyberspace Administration

Special tax on Argentina's rich to pay for virus relief

BUENOS AIRES

A one-off tax on Argentina's richest people to help pay for medical supplies and relief for small businesses battered by the global coronavirus pandemic entered into force on Friday.

A law passed by the Senate in December by a vote of 42-26 approved the levy on people whose assets exceed 200 million pesos ($2.3 million).

The center-left government of President Alberto Fernandez hopes to raise about $3 billion from taxing the richest 12,000 of Argentina's 44 million inhabitants.

More than 40 per cent of the country's population lives under the poverty line.

Starting on Friday, the national tax authority is authorised to start calculating and claiming the amounts due.

Under the law, those who are taxable will pay up to 3.5 per cent on assets declared within the country, and up to 5.25 per cent on assets held abroad.

The proceeds will be used to buy medical supplies, aid small and medium enterprises, fund social aid, and to provide natural gas to people off the energy grid.

The measure has been staunchly criticised by Argentina's center-right opposition, which has described it as "confiscatory."

And the Argentine Rural Society—which represents the interests of large farmers in a country whose income depends heavily on grain and cattle production—has expressed fear the measure would become permanent.

Argentina has been badly hit by the coronavirus, with more than 1.9 million confirmed cases of infection and more than 47,000 deaths.

The pandemic has exacerbated the already high poverty rate in a country which has been in recession since 2018, and has an unemployment rate of 11.7 per cent.

In its annual report on economic inequality, Oxfam said Monday the world's 1,000 richest people had recouped their coronavirus-related losses within nine months, while it could take the world's poorest more than a decade to recover from the impacts of the global health crisis. *AFP*

GameStop: Texas AG opens probes into stock trading platform

AUSTIN

TEXAS'S attorney general announced on Friday a probe into Robinhood and 12 other online stock exchanges after they suspended trading on GameStop and other volatile equities.

Ken Paxton, the top prosecutor for the US's second most-populous state, sent a civil investigative demand to the companies, the latest sign of escalating scrutiny from regulators and lawmakers over the trade suspensions. Trading of GameStop resumed Friday on Robinhood.

Paxton echoed criticism from across the political spectrum of the trading halts, which he said "stinks of corruption" and appears to show coordination among powerful interests.

Meanwhile, the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on Friday said its regulators were keeping an eye on the whipsawing share prices of some Wall Street stocks that had been targeted by a social media-driven campaign to make wealthy hedge funds suffer.

"The commission is closely monitoring and evaluating the

Trading of GameStop resumed Friday on Robinhood | AFP

extreme price volatility of certain stocks' trading prices over the past several days," the SEC said in a statement, a day after some platforms restricted trading in GameStop, AMC Entertainment and other stocks caught up in the surge.

"We will act to protect retail investors when the facts demonstrate abusive or manipulative trading activity that is prohibited by the federal securities laws."

Investors who organised over Reddit and other forums have in recent days targeted shares of companies that had been short-sold by hedge funds, which have bet that the price of the company would fall.Their tactics have caused massive spikes in share prices, and on Thursday Robinhood, an app popular among retail investors whose stated goal is to "democratize finance for all," decided to limit trades on the most volatile stocks.

British market watchdog the Financial Conduct Authority also took notice on Friday, issuing a statement saying they were "warning UK investors in certain US listed shares which are being discussed online to use extreme caution.

"Volatile markets are unpredictable and mean you can quickly lose money." *Agencies*

$585.3 bn was India's forex reserve as on January 22, according to RBI data. This was an increase of $1.091 billion over the previous week

Tightrope walk between higher spending and fiscal deficit

Govt desires to stimulate growth by creating demand and raise its spending on healthcare, but has to grapple with a widening fiscal deficit beyond comfort zone

JAYANTA ROY CHOWDHURY
@New Delhi

MONDAY'S budget, the first full one after the pandemic, will be a tightrope walk for the finance ministry as it tries to balance the need to spend more to meet the Covid challenges while battling a runaway fiscal deficit. The government wants to step up spending on both infrastructure and healthcare.

The first priority of the Centre is to stimulate growth by creating demand for construction and industrial goods, which have been depressed for long due to the pandemic. The second focus will be on boosting India's public health care, which has been found inadequate to meet the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic. The Economic Survey released on Friday spoke about raising health expenditure by at least two-and-a-half times.

Given the pressure from the ongoing farmers' agitation, the finance ministry is likely to announce both stepped up investment in irrigation and agriculture as well as a higher interest subsidy for the farm sector along with a bigger credit lines. North Bloc officials are talking about raising the current farm loan target of ₹15 lakh crore a year by a whopping 25%.

Despite chorus from states to raise their allocation, the Centre's ability to raise revenues will be challenged by the pandemic's lingering effects.

But the real challenge before the government will be to find ways to give tax sops to the working class, struggling with massive job losses and merciless pay cuts. Putting money into people's pockets also makes economic sense because they will then spend the money, thereby boosting demand.

Analysts place the current year's fiscal deficit at 7-8% of GDP. The finance ministry could bring that down by off-budgeting some of the spending or rolling-over payment of some bills to the next year, but even then the deficit would be nearly double the targeted 3.5 per cent of GDP.

The Centre's borrowing, which pays for the deficit, has sharply raised India's public debt to GDP ratio from 68% in 2015 and 72% in 2019 to well over 80% this year.

Officials say they would start tapering off the high fiscal deficit from this budget onwards and would like the printed fiscal deficit for the coming year to be 4.5-5% and in years ahead, this would be tapered off further to 2.5-3%, as the economy picks up.

Centre's policy response to fiscal slippage

The Economic Survey had warned of fiscal slippage during 2021 based on the trends available for April to November 2020. The ongoing policy response of the Centre has been to cushion the economy against the pandemic shock, and fuel the economic recovery

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

FM likely to unveil big-ticket infra financing bank

ANURADHA SHUKLA @New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's Budget, to be presented in the Lok Sabha on Monday, is likely to announce a dedicated bank for financing infrastructure development projects.

The proposed bank will be incorporated through a special law, the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development Bill, which Parliament is likely to pass in the Budget session. The bill describes the dedicated bank as "a provider, enabler and catalyst for infrastructure financing". The development bank will provide low-cost funding for large, long-term infrastructure projects.

The government mooted setting up such a bank given the unique financing requirement of the infrastructure sector, which is quite different from general industry. Infra loans are typically taken on a long-term basis as these projects take 15-25 years to be executed

However, years of piled up bad loans, nature of uncertainty and delays around the infrastructure projects have made the sector untouchable for banks, which have been maintaining an arm's distance from the sector, resulting in lack of easy financing for projects.

Hence, the long-pending demand to set up a separate financing authority for the sector such that projects are not scuttled owing to paucity of funds. The proposed bank would be the principal financial institution and development bank for building and sustaining a supportive ecosystem across the lifecycle of infrastructure projects.

Provider, enabler & catalyst

The proposed bank would be a catalyst for infrastructure financing as the sector has been given a wide berth by banks owing to years of piled up bad loans, nature of uncertainty and delays around the projects

Similar attempts were made in the past as well. The Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India (ICICI) Bank and the Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) were set up for financing industrial loans.

However, the ICICI and IDBI later established themselves as full-fledged commercial banks.

Other important Bills include the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (Amendment) Bill, Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, Electricity (Amendment) Bill, Cryptocurrency and Regulation of Official Digital Currency Bill, and Competition Commission of India (Amendment) Bill.

NEWSCOPE

TO BLOOM, MUSIC INDUSTRY NEEDS A FREE MARKET

GURBIR SINGH

THERE is no country in the world like India which has such a diverse music culture. Bhangra, rap, classical, you name it. It is steeped in celebratory customs, harvest events and marriage forms where music is the binding glue. And our films wrap all this with stories dependent on music scores. Yet as a business, the music industry limps along, ripped to the bone with piracy and hardly any growth to show for the years of entertainment it has offered.

As a reporter covering the entertainment and media beat, this writer at the beginning of the century heard tales of woe how piracy was sucking the business dry. Then, too, the Indian Music Industry (IMI), a lobby for more-than-hundred labels, was fighting piracy with hole-in-the-wall outfits churning out copied music cassettes (MCs) and CDs. It was then a ₹750 crore industry.

The only thing that seems to have changed are the forms of piracy – it is digital ripping with websites hosting pirated music and films from which law-abiding citizens help themselves to free content. After two decades, President and CEO of IMI Blaise Fernandes says the industry generates legit annual revenue of around ₹1,250 crore from recorded music, at a miserable annual growth rate of about 3 per cent. If one adds earnings from performing rights (₹200 crore) and music events (₹500 crore), it may be close to ₹2,000 crore. Fernandes says a recent survey showed that 67 per cent of respondents frankly admitted they ripped music for free off pirate sites. The loss to the

industry is close to ₹1,000 crore. This is in a market where music consumption is very high. The same survey, for instance, found that 80 per cent of internet users identified themselves as 'music fanatics' or 'music lovers', higher than the global average of about 54 per cent.

India has fallen behind other markets, says Blaise Fernandes. South Korean music label Big Hit Entertainment, which owns the K-pop band BTS, launched its IPO in October last year with a $4 billion valuation. China's Tencent Music, listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), was valued at $26 billion in September 2020. "Will India ever witness the day when its music companies see these types of valuations?" he asks.

Brazil earns $313 million from the recorded music industry, but India earns just $181 million, though our population is six times that of Brazil. The digital era should have helped stem piracy, but the opposite seems to be true for India. IMI and Fernandes do not seem to have answers why this is so, but they point out market, and government regulation stymieing the market. "Radio is worth ₹3,100 crore, but pays the music industry just ₹75 crore in royalties annually," he says, adding: "The erstwhile Copyright Board decided the rate at 2 per cent of the net advertising revenue. The low rate, which continues today, was justified two decades ago as radio was in its infancy. Now, it is more than twice the size of the music industry." Fernandes says it should be 10 per cent of radio's topline earnings of around ₹300 crore a year. "TV spends around 20 per cent of its revenue on developing content and bears the risk of the content being unsuccessful. Radio bears no such risks and can cherry-pick the songs."

BIG DRAW, BUT POOR EARNER

₹1,250 crore
Annual revenue from recorded music

3%
growth rate

₹200 crore
Earnings from performing rights

₹500 crore
Revenue from events

$313 million
Brazil's earning from recorded music industry

VS

$181 million
India's earning from recorded music industry

kets like China have succeeded in curtailing pirated music sites where India has failed. China has a music industry of $53 billion, while India's is still in its infancy.

But the Chinese industry has been more innovative with digital music streaming sites hiring and grooming artistes directly rather than waiting for music labels to offer them. For example, Tencent Music and NetEase offer artistes attractive contracts to work directly with them instead of through a record label. The IMI chief says the problem is the Indian music industry is not being paid the worth for its intellectual property

The music industry is again facing a huge leakage in revenue, estimated by some at ₹200 crore, with the illegal use of music by the short video apps like TikTok. Though TikTok is now shut down in India, a host of new sites like Roposo, Triller, Taka Tak, Josh, Mitron, and Snack Video have sprung up and taken over.

Blaise Fernandes is hopeful that the law will be amended soon and the industry too will shift to a 'free market'. As it is 70 per cent of recorded music in India is film-based and the symbiotic relationship can be seen in music rights sales financing films, especially in the South. "Music is the film industry's VC; they provide the seed capital," he says.

Crystal-ball gazing, the IMI chief predicts post-reforms, the industry, which spends just ₹750 crore in content creation and distribution, will see another ₹7,000 crore coming, most of it from the current foreign players like Sony, UMG, WMG and Believe.

FUTURE DEAL

Kishore Biyani likens Amazon strategy to Alexander's

BISMAH MALIK @Bengaluru

FUTURE Group CEO Kishore Biyani has lashed out at Amazon, likening the American e-tailer to the ruthless Alexander the Great in the latest verbal duel between the two retail giants. Biyani, in an internal mail to his employees, equated Amazon's petitions before the Delhi High Court and regulatory authorities as 'vexatious litigation and harassment', saying that it makes 'one wonder about the similarity in the ruthless ambition to scorch the earth akin to the Greek Alexander, after all, they are inspired to name their product as Alexa'. Amazon's echo device Alexa has a whopping 90 per cent market share in the smart speakers segment in India, according to market research firm TechArc.

Biyani wrote that Amazon's fight is for supremacy over Indian customers. "History tells us that Alexander conquered large parts of the world but failed in India," the Future Group head said. Even after the SEBI and CCI have approved the ₹24,713 crore Reliance-Future deal for taking over the retail, warehousing and logistics businesses of Biyani by Mukesh Amabani's firm, Amazon has knocked at the door of Delhi High Court seeking enforcement of emergency arbitration award for blocking the deal.

Amazon's problems worsened after the Enforcement Directorate began investigating the e-tailer over alleged violations of the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA) rules by exercising indirect control over Future retail.

Amazon had bought a 49% stake in Future coupons, one of the promoter entities of FRL in 2019. The e-tailer has said that several clauses of the deal had barred Future group from entering any shareholding agreement with restricted firms, including Reliance.

It makes one wonder about the similarity in the ruthless ambition to scorch the earth akin to the Greek Alexander, after all, they are inspired to name their product Alexa. History tells us Alexander conquered large parts of the world but failed in India

Kishore Biyani, CEO Future Group

Bengaluru firm acquires US e-com company

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BENGALURU-based tech services firm Happiest Minds said that it has acquired an American e-commerce, data-management solutions company Pimcore Global Services (PGS), for $8.25 million. PGS has a strategic partnership with Pimcore Austria for delivering solutions around Pimcore, an opensource framework which helps enterprises establish a robust digital presence through seamless data and experience management. PGS clientele includes customers across retail, CPG and manufacturing verticals.

PGS and Happiest Minds have had a successful strategic partnership pursuant to which Happiest Minds has been rendering offshore services to PGS. Revenues of PGS for the fiscal ending December 31, 2020 was US$ 10.6 million and Happiest Minds counts PGS amongst its list of US$ 2M + customers. Happiest Minds is a Gold Partner of Pimcore for the past several years. Happiest Minds debuted on stock exchanges last year with a record-breaking IPO oversubscriptions. Tech veteran Ashok Soota, who heads the firm, said that company's core business remains digital.

Higher spending on health, infra & edu a must: Assocham

SESA SEN @New Delhi

PEOPLE from all walks of life would be keenly following Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's words when she presents the 'budget like never before' on Monday. While increased public spending is on top of the wish list, industry body Assocham expects the FM to deliver on key demands of rationalisation of GST rates, higher spend on health, education and infrastructure, among others.

"As we are coming out of a pandemic, it is clear that the kind of impetus that the government needs for growth will

be extremely critical for the next few years – both from the aspect of spurring investment and ensuring social inclusion. The government must relax its fiscal policy for 1-2 years so that there is ample room for continued investments. Any kind of fiscal deficit should not be considered as expenditure, but as an investment for the future to revive growth," the newly-appointed Assocham president Vineet Agarwal told *TNIE*.

Sector-wise, the government must invest more on infrastructure such as roads and rural projects. Similarly, public and private spending on healthcare and education should also increase as these would be investments for the future. "As spending on infrastructure has three times the desired impact, the ₹111 lakh crore National Infrastructure Pipeline should be expedited," he added.

According to Agarwal, who is also the MD of Transport Corporation of India, the government must increase allocation on schemes such as PM Gram Sadak Yojana as it has a trickle-down effect in not only increasing rural employment, incomes but also in building better infrastructure for agri supply chain. With the logistics sector at the forefront of India's aim to improve exports and domestic consumption, Agarwal said the government must focus on projects that promote multimodal transport. Currently, 60 per cent of freight is moved through roads but the costs can be reduced if it is moved via rail and water. Secondly, India needs more hospitals, specialty care centres, and expenditure on R&D, so that the country is ready for pandemics in the future.

"Government should look at reducing taxes rather than imposing new ones. GST rationalisation will push consumption-related demand, which has been contracting for the last two quarters," said Agarwal. To be sure, much of India has moved on from a time when *roti, kapda aur makaan* were its prime worries. Today, it is more focused on, for instance, broadband, which has become a fundamental need.

Business & Beyond

GAIL Gas Limited bags Established Company of the Year Award

New Delhi: GAIL Gas Limited has been awarded the 'City Gas Distribution – Established Company of the Year' by Federation of Indian Petroleum Industry (FIPI). The award was given by Union Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Steel Dharmendra Pradhan to Chairman & Managing Director, GAIL, Manoj Jain and CEO, GAIL Gas, M V Ravi Someswarudu at the FIPI Oil & Gas Industry Annual Awards 2020 in New Delhi. The award recognises leadership in performance by operating City Gas Distribution network for distribution of natural gas to consumers in the domestic, transport and commercial sectors.

Durgapur Steel Plant marks Republic Day

Kolkata: Durgapur Steel Plant celebrated the 72nd Republic Day at Ispat Bhawan. Dr KN Thakur, Executive Director (M&HS), DSP, unfurled the national flag. He recalled the contribution of the freedom fighters in making India the largest democracy and touched upon SAIL and DSP's contribution to the progress of our nation.

Assotech Group plans mega township in Bhubaneswar

Bhubaneswar: Assotech group would develop Group Housing Township Project on its land through its company Assotech Sun Growth Abode LLP on NH-16, Mouza-Rudrapur, Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The project has been named Assotech Pride. The township project will see over 1,700 apartments of various configurations being developed in phases using modern construction technology, including Aluminium Form work Shuttering (MIVAN), for the first time in the state of Odisha.

100% ECR employees contributed to PM-CARES Fund

Kolkata: GM of the East Central Railway, Lalit Chandra Trivedi, after unfurling the Tricolour on Republic Day at the zonal headquarter on Tuesday said that the railways distributed homeopathic medicine Arsenic Album-30 and the ayurvedic medicine Giloyavati to its employees during the Covid-19 pandemic induced lockdown. He said 100% employees of ECR contributed to PM CARES fund.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is informed that my clients **Debasish Ghosh s/o Prabal Chandra Ghosh and Sanghamitra Ghosh w/o Debasish Ghosh** intends to purchase the schedule Property from M/s. Prestige Estate Projects Ltd **(seller)**. The seller represents and warrant that it is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property and that it has not conveyed or entered into any Agreement to Sell/MOU with any person/s, for sale/transfer of the schedule property and that the seller further represents and warrants that it has not encumbered, mortgaged or created any lien on the schedule property in any manner and apart from it no other person/s, includes legal heirs, Firm or Company having any sort of right, title or claim over the schedule property. Any person/s having any objection/s or claim/s shall with documentary evidence lodge their objection/s, claim/s, within **Seven (07) days** from the date of this notice with the undersigned, failing which my clients shall proceed with the above mentioned transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that Piece and Parcel of residential Apartment No. 7112, situated on 11th Floor/ level, of 7 Tower/Block in **Prestige Royal Gardens-Phase-III**, being Tower 7 constructed on sy no.48/1 measuring 982 sqft carpet area and 1362 sqft of SBA with one covered car parking space, situated at **Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Tq, Bangalore dist, Karnataka**, in all admeasuring 22 Acres 09 Guntas.

Prashanth B.K, Advocate,
No.17, Sir M V 2nd Cross, Kalkere
Main Road, Ramamurthy nagar
Bengaluru-560016
Mobile : 9900056401

Bengaluru Date : 31-01-2021

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C AT NELAMANGALA
Crl.Misc.No. 43/2021

BETWEEN: 1. Sri Mahesh .G.M. S/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 48 years. **2. Smt Kalavathi** D/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 40 years. **3. Sri. Muthuraju .G.K**, S/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 55 years, **4. Smt Munilakshmamma,** D/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 50 years. **5. Sri Honnaiah**, S/o Late Doddamuniyappa, aged about 70 years. **6. Sri Suresh G.H.** S/o Sri Honnaiah, aged about 48 years. **All are R/at** Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-562123 ... **Petitioners**

AND : The Tahashildar, Bengaluru North Taluk, Kandaya Bhavana, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560 009 ...**Respondent**

NOTICE

Whereas the Petitioners have filed above Petition for obtaining Death Certificate of late Mariyamma W/o late Munimuttaiah (Mother of Petitioner No.1 and 2, sister in law of petitioner No.5, aunty for petitioner No.3,4 and 6), who died on 15.08.1975 at Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District. If there are any persons having claim, they may appear before Court in person or through Pleader on **22.02.2021** at 11.00 A.M., failing which the Petition will be disposed off according to law.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 27.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, Junior Division, and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioners: **Sri. PRASANNA KUMAR T.N**
No.4, 1st Floor, "Ayodhya Complex", Mini Vidhanasoudha Road, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064.

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C AT NELAMANGALA
Crl.Misc.No. 42/2021

BETWEEN: 1. Sri Mahesh .G.M. S/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 48 years. **2. Smt Kalavathi** D/o Late Munimuthaiah, aged about 40 years. **3. Sri. Muthuraju .G.K**, S/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 55 years, **4. Smt Munilakshmamma,** D/o Late Kalingappa, aged about 50 years. **5. Sri Honnaiah**, S/o Late Doddamuniyappa, aged about 70 years. **6. Sri Suresh G.H.** S/o Sri Honnaiah, aged about 48 years. **All are R/at** Gangondanahalli Village, Lakshmipura Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-562123 ... **Petitioners**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is desirous of purchasing the Schedule Property from its present owner **Sri.Rajendra Reddy Thimmareddygari S/o T. Krishna Reddy** Aged About 70 years Residing at House no.119, 1st Floor, 18th Main Road, 100 feet Road, HAL 2nd Stage, Bangalore- 560 008.

It is reported that the said owner has acquired the right, title and interest over the schedule property by virtue of registered sale deed dated 11th March 2020 registered document No-KRI-1-11427-2019-20, which is electronically stored in CD No-KRID952 of Book-I dated 11-03-2020 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar (Krishnarajpuram).

Any person or persons asserting any charge, lien, right, title, agreement, interest or claim on the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or the documents thereof or against the owner or objection to such sale in favour of my client should lodge his/her/their/its objections or claims with supporting documents with the undersigned within **TEN DAYS (10 Days)** of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period my client shall proceed with the purchase of the schedule property on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

:: SCHEDULE PROPERTY ::

All that piece and parcel of the residential Property bearing Municipal **No.4BC-205**, PID No. 88-255-4BC-205 measuring East to West: **6.00 Mtrs** and North to South: **9.00 Mtrs** in all measuring **54.00 Square Meters** and together with a building thereon and bounded on that:

East by : Site No-4BC-207
West by : Site No-4BC-203
North by : Private Property
South by : 4th 'B' Cross Road

Suma Sathyajit, Advocate,
No.4, 14 Cross, Vyalikaval, Bangalore-03
E-Mail: Sathyajitsuma6@gmail.com

Bangalore Date : 31-01-2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is inform the general public that my client **SRI NAGARAJ SHETTY**, S/o Late Govind Shetty, aged about 45 years, R/o No.39, Ashraya 8th Cross, New Bank Colony, Konana Kunte, Bengaluru-560062, intends to purchase the below mentioned **"SCHEDULE PROPERTY"** from **SRI E. KAAVERAPPA** S/o Yarrappa, aged about 39 years, R/at House No.35, Aadidravida veedi, Kumbarapete Road, Hosur Town, Krishnagiri District, Tamilnadu, Being a owner as the Conforming party. If any person(s) claiming any interest in the said Schedule Property or any part thereof by way of Agreement of sale, Gift, Lease, Inheritance, Exchange, Mortgage, Charge, Lien, Trust, Possession, Easement, Attachment or otherwise however is/ are hereby required to make the same known to the undersigned along with supporting documents within **Seven days (7 days)** from the date hereof, failing which the said sale will be completed without any reference to such claim and same, if any, shall be considered as waived

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Sy.No. 269/1 measuring 0.05.08 Guntas, (5 1/2 Guntas) situated at Anekal Town Kasaba Hobli Anekal Taluk Bangalore District, duly converted for Non-Agricultural Residential Purpose, and bounded on:

East by : Property belonging to KEB Mallesh,
West by : Road to reach graveyard,
North by : Property belonging to M. Parvathi Sy No.268/1,
South by : Property belonging to Gaanigara Hanumanthappa and Muniraju

SATHISHA .T.K, Advocate
Off. Sri Rathna Nilaya, 1st Floor,
Hebbagodi Main Road, Attibele Hobli,
Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560099.
Mob.9448078473, 9986377892.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby notified that my client Sri. MANOJ. N & Smt. VIDYA RANI. C. R, have entered into an AGREEMENT FOR SALE with Sri. HARISH KUMAR. S, to purchase the property mentioned in the Schedule hereunder.

Any person/s having any right in or title to or claim against the Schedule Property or having any objection of whatsoever nature for the proposed sale transaction may within **10 (Ten) days** hereof lodge with the under signed his/her claim in this behalf together with the relevant documentary proof in support of such right, title interest or claim or objection. If no such claim or objection is received within the above said period, it will be presumed that, no person has any such claim or objection & my clients will proceed with the said transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Immovable, Property bearing Site No.3, M.I.G., in the layout formed by Karnataka Housing Board (KHB), situated at 3rd Phase, Kengeri satellite Town, Bangalore-560 060, measuring East to West: (9.50+6.00)/2 Meters and North to South: 16.50 Meters, totally measuring 127.875 Square Meters, having constructed building in Ground Floor Measuring 125 Square Meter, First Floor measuring 125 Square Meter and Second Floor measuring 120 Square Meter, with water, sewerage and electricity facilities thereon, presently comes under the limits and administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Ward No.130, Ullalu, Kengeri Satellite Town Sub Zone, Bangalore, assigned with BBMP Khatha No.01/M.I.G.03 and bounded on:

East by : 80 Feet BDA Road;
West by : Private Property,
North by : Site No.4,
South by : Site No.2.

Sd/- **NAGARAJA KUMBLE** M.A., LL.B.
#55, 4th Cross, BEML 3rd Stage,
Rajarajeshwari Nagar,
BANGALORE-560 098. Ph: 92424 17700

Government of Karnataka
Executive Engineer, RDW&S, Division,Mysore
Short Term Tender Notification No:.49/2020-21
Dt:29-01-2021

short term tender notification is as below.

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka Items rate tenders under KW- 1, 2, 3 & 4 Standard Bid documents (Two cover system) has been called for 33 works (Estimate cost Rs 10.00 Lakhs to Rs.165 Lakhs) of T.Narsipura Taluk under the Head of Account: 2020-21 Jal Jevan Mission. Tender is been invited as per Karnataka transparency Act G.O.No.FD9 PCL 2004 Dt. 06.08.2005 and as per recent amendments, Date of uploading Tender forms under e-procurement **Dt: 01.02.2021 11:00 AM onwards,** Last Date for submitting the filled Tender forms is **09.02.2021 upto 5:00PM,** Opening of Technical bid **10.02.2021, 5.30.00 PM onwards,** Opening of Financial bid after approval of Technical bid. Eligeble Agencies can participate in the tender process and for e-procurement support contact e-procurement Tel. Phone No **080 – 22485867, 080-22485927** . For more details log on to **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the Officer under signed at office hours. **Phone No.0821-2460 495..Tender Form Fees – As per e-procurement.**

DIPR/DD-MYS/958/2020-21 Sd/-Executive Engineer,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that my clients (1) Sri. H.N. Narasimharaj, S/o Late Nanjundaswamy, (2) Smt. H.N. Padmaja, W/o Narasimharaj, both are residing at No. 69, Sumuka Nilaya, 4th Main, 5th Cross, Navodaya Nagar, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560 078 and (3) L. Vishwanath S/o S.K. Lingappa, R/at No. 67, 4th Main, 5th Cross, Navodaya Nagar, Kothanuru Main Road, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, VTC Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 078, intends to purchase the property described in the schedule hereunder from Smt. Arti Gupta, W/o Sri. Ripin Kumar, aged about 44 years, R/at Flat No. 102, No.48, Wilson Court Apartment, 6th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore - 560 027 who is the absolute owner of the same.

Any person or persons other then the owner named above having any claim or interest in or to the said property or any part other of in any manner is/are required to forward their claims on or to the property, to the undersigned at their office along with the relevant documents thereof within seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice in this newspaper. In the absence of any claims within the above said period it shall be deemed that there are no such claims or that if there are any claims and they have not been made they shall be deemed to have been waived and the sale deed will be executed in my clients favour without any further reference in this regard.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the vacant residential site bearing No.37, V.P. Khatha No.92, Assessment No. 148, Situated at Kottanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently within the BBMP Limits Ward No. 195 and B register property No. 92/148/37, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 50 feet in all measuring 1500 square feet together with all rights, appearances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on East by : Road, West by : Property No.36, North by : Road, South by ; Property.

Address for Service: **K.R. Prabhu,** Advocate
No. 451, 1st Floor, 15th Cross,
Lakkasandra, Near Deepthi Nursing Home,
Bengaluru-560 030.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client Thallam Sandeep, S/o. Thallam Balaram Shetty, aged about 30 years, presently Residing at No-18/19, Sai Ram Residency, Munekolalu, Bangalore, intends to purchase immoveable property described in the schedule hereunder from its owners viz Harish, aged about 42 years, S/o. Sri. Munireddy, R/at No-85/8, Kaverappa layout entrance Panathur Main Road, Bangalore - 560103.

Any person/s claiming to have any charge, lien, interest, claims, right/s whatsoever over the schedule property may lodge their claim to the undersigned with documentary proof within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this public notice, failing, which it will presumed that there are no objection or claims in respect of the schedule property and further my client shall proceed with the intended purchase, no claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that peace and parcel of the converted landed property bearing Sy, No- 201/16, old No Sy No 201/1, BBMP, Khatha Municipal No SL, No, 1733, situated at Varthur village, Varthur Hobli Bangalore east taluk, ward No 149 BBMP. Bangalore measuring east to west 30 feet, and North to south 60 feet, total measuring 1800 sq feet, (extent of 0.01.12 (0-1-3/4) guntas out of 1 acres 22.09 guntas) together with all right appurtenances, whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on

East by : Block 1 (20 feet Road,)
West by : Block 1 (12 feet road)
North by : Block 1 (remaining portion of same survey No 201/1 belonging to vendors).
South by : Block 1 (remaining portion of same survey. No. 201/1 property of Smt. Suma. K)

P.V. Natarajagowda, Advocate
No. 501, N.S. Bhavan, 5th floor, 4th Main,
4th Cross, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-09.
Mob: 8184029274.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer Project (South),
Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru

TN.No: EEP-(S)/TEND/46/20-21 **Date:30.01.2021**

TENDER POSTPONEMENT NOTIFICATION

Subject : In this office e-procurement portal Tender Notification Dates Postponed.

Ref : In this office Tender Postponed Notification No. **EEP(S)/E-PROCU/46/2020-21, Date : 22.01.2021.**

This office Tender Notification No. EEP-S/E-P/PR/46/20-21 Dated : 22.01.2021, Tenders No.2 and No.3 the Dates have been Postponed due to technical reasons. The Revise Dates as follows below.

SL No.	Discription	Date as Previously Published	Postponed Date
1	Last Date and Time of Receipt of Tender.	04.02.2021 Before 4.00 PM	12.02.2021 Before 4.00 PM
2	Opening of Technical Bid Date and Time.	06.02.2021 Before 4.30 PM	15.02.2021 Before 4.30 PM

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Project - (South)

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North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited

बिहार सरकार

(Regd. Office: Vidyut Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna)
Revenue Department
CIN No.U40109BR2012SGC018890
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Contact: 7763815071

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (SHORT)
NIT NO:- 02 / PR /NBPDCL/2021

North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (NBPDCL), a Government of Bihar Undertaking, invites Request for Proposals (RfP) for Appointment of Spot Billing Agency for Rural consumers of North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (NBPDCL) & South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (SBPDCL). Eligible Agencies / Firms / Companies / State or Central Govt. undertaking having required experience are welcome to participate in online bid.

S.N	Particulars	E.M.D. (Rs.)
1.	RFP FOR SELECTION OF AGENCY FOR SPOT-BILLING & REVENUE COLLECTION USING MOBILE DEVICE WITH THERMAL BLUETOOTH PRINTER, E-WALLET & POS MACHINE IN RURAL AREAS OF SBPDCL & NBPDCL	INR 63,00,000/-

Period of Sale/download of RFP document	From 05/02/2021 through website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in
Submission of bid in soft-copy through website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in	Up to 24/02/2021 (up to 1700 Hrs.) Rs. 5,000 (Rupees Five Thousand Only) will be deposited as cost of Tender document fee through online portal and Bank Guarantee/ Demand Draft of Rs. 63,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Three Lakh Only) as Bid Security (EMD) in favour of "Senior Manager (Finance), North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited" in a separate envelope.
Date of Pre-Bid Meeting	11/02/2021 at 1130 Hrs.
Opening date of Technical & Commercial Part:	25/02/2021 at 1100 Hrs.
Date of opening of Price Part:	To be notified after Technical Bid Evaluation on (www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in)

The RFP documents can be downloaded from website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in. Submission of RFP documents must be accompanied with prior deposit of payment towards the cost Tender document and Bank Guarantee/Demand Draft for EMD in favour of "Senior Manager (Finance), North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited", failing which the bid shall be summarily rejected. Original Bank Guarantee/ Demand Draft is required to be submitted in the office of General Manager, Revenue, NBPDCL, Vidyut Bhawan, Patna, Bihar before **1700 hrs on 24/02/2021.**

(Vijay Kumar)
GM (Revenue), NBPDCL

PR No. 12025(Ni.Ni.) 2020-21

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INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Through GoK e-Procurement Platform http://eproc.karnatala.gov.in)

Name of work: **Consultancy Services for Project Management and Quality assurance for the Work Construction of club house at Sy No.95 of Kaniminike Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk. Reg under Two Cover System.** Project Cost: **Rs.1490 lakhs.** EMD: **Rs.1.00 lakh**. The tender document can be downloaded from the e-Procurement **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Bid a shall be submitted online through e-Procurement platform. For any enquiries, please contact office of the undersigned. Mobile: 9845033499.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Housing Project Division-2,
BDA/PRO/TN/41/2020-21 **BDA, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru-20**

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD

3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G.Road, Bengaluru - 560009

Short Term Tender Notification (Through E-Procurement portal)

Karnataka Housing Board invite tenders through E-procurement from the eligible contractors who are empanelled in Karnataka Housing Board & also willing to empanel in KHB.

Name of work : Construction of additional rooms for Government Polytechnic Hostel at Gunnal, Koppal District under SCP/TSP scheme.

- Tender reference Number **: KHB/2020-21/BD/work_indent 777 & IFT No. 104/2020-21 Date: 27-01-2021**
- Amount put to tender **– Rs. 63,49,345/-**
- Last date for submission of bid **- 10.02.2021 up to 4.00 PM.**

For further information, contact below mentioned office address:
Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board,
Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru
Phone No. 080-22273511 / 080-22100077
web site : https://khb.karnataka.gov.in, https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

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MOTHER DAIRY

(A Unit of: Karnataka Co-operative Milk Producers' Federation Ltd)
G.K.V.K. POST, YELAHANKA, BANGALORE-560065
e-mail: purchase@motherdairykmf.in
Tele. No. 080-22179006, Fax: 080-28462652

KMF

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Mother Dairy, a unit of KMF Bangalore is inviting E-Tenders for Supply of following items to Mother Dairy,B.lore

A. IFT.NO.MD/PUR/ E-Proc T-179/2020-21 Date:15-01-2021

I. Supply on One Time Basis: 1) 10kg Tins for Packing Whole Milk Powder - 80,800 Nos **2)** 7 Ply Corrugated Boxes for Packing 10kg WMP Tins with Upper & Lower, Middle Partitions -40,400 Nos **3)** Soldering of 10Kg WMP Tins (Material+Labour) Job Work- 1 Job Pre-bid Meeting for Supply of Tins on **03-02-2021 at 11.00 am** at Mother Dairy Board Room.

B. IFT.NO.MD/PUR/ E-Proc T-166 Call-2/2020-21 Date:22-01-2021

I.Supply on One Time Basis:1) Personal Computers (on buy back policy)-30 Nos. The manufacturers, dealers or interested eligible tenderers are requested to participate on-line only.

For further details, Tender documents can be downloaded from the website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **28-01-2021** and submitted on or before **11-02-2021 upto 17.00 hrs.**

Sd/- Director,
Mother Dairy

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH, KOPPAL
The Executive Engineer,
Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Koppal

No.RWS/Dn/KPL/NRDWP/2020-21/1782 Date: 29.01.2021

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Double Cover System)

On Behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Koppal invites e-Tender for Jal Jeevan Mission. The eligible bidders are requested to submit the Bid in Double Cover System through e-procurement mode through portal **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

General Information: 1) Contractor should submit the Tender Bid Documents through online only. 2) All documents should be scanned and upload during the period of applying tender through online only. 3) EMD amount should be submitted through online only. 4) Two Cover Tender called. If any more information, contractor should contact this office or vide email id : **eerwsskpl@gmail.com** in office hours and tenders will be download from 03/02/2021.

Tender Process Fee : As per E-Procurement. Tender Period: 3 months. If any Queries/ Downloading Date : **08/02/2021 Time 11:00.** Tender Accepting Last Date and Time: **15/02/2021 Time 16:00.** Technical Bid Opening Date and Time : **16/02/2021 Time 17:00.**

If any more information, contractor should contact this office or vide email id : **eerwsskpl@gmail.com** in office hours and also through Website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
DIPR/Alaknanda/Koppal/354/2020-21 **R.D.W & S. Division, Koppal**

ವಾಯವ್ಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಸ್ತೆ ಸಾರಿಗೆ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

ಸಂ:ವಾಕರಸಾಸಂ:ಕಾನಿಅ:ನಕ್ಷೆ:ಹು:797:2020–21 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 30–01–2021

ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : 03/2020–21

e-proc ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.ಡಿ/ಸಿ.ಪಿ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.ಡಿ/ಎಂ.ಇ.ಎಸ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಅರ್ಹತೆಯುಳ್ಳ ಸಿವಿಲ್ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ e-proc ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಐಟಂವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಈ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ e-proc ನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡುಗಡೆಯಾಗುವ ದಿನಾಂಕದಂದು ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ-ಆಡಳಿತ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಥವಾ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಇನ್ನುಳಿದ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಖಚಿತಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಹೆಸರು	ಟೆಂಡರಿಗೆ ಇಟ್ಟ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಮುಂಗಡ ಠೇವಣಿ ಹಣ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಕೆಲಸ ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಕಾಲಾವಧಿ (ಮಳೆಗಾಲ ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ)	ಅರ್ಹತೆಯುಳ್ಳ ದರ್ಜೆ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು
1	ಕುಮಟಾ ಬಸ್ ಘಟಕದ ಹಿಂಭಾಗದ ಆವರಣ ಗೋಡೆ ಅಕಾಲಿಕ ಮಳೆಯಿಂದ ನೆಲಸಮವಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಆವರಣ ಗೋಡೆ ಮರು ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುವುದು.	25.00	50,000/–	2 ತಿಂಗಳು	ದರ್ಜೆ 2 ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು

ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಹಾಯವಾಣಿ (help desk) 91–8046010000 ,91–8022631200, 0836–2332383 ಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು,
ವಾಕರಸಾಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಧಾ/ಎಂಸಿಎ/677/2020–21

JHARKHAND STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

New Police Line Road, Opposite to C.M.House, Kanke Road, Ranchi-834008
Website: www.jserc.org, email: info@jserc.org

NOTICE

The Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission, Ranchi invites a Bid for consultancy job in regulatory matters from capable and experienced consultants for the job. The interested person/parties/firms may download the Bid Documents containing terms and condition of Bid from the website of the Commission http://jserc.org/tendernotice.aspx and submit their Bid by 15th March 2021 to the undersigned.

By Order
Sd/- (R.P. Nayak)
Secretary

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF TELANGANA LTD.

e-Procurement Tender Notice

TSSPDCL intends to float tenders for procurement of (a) 8 Mtrs PSCC poles (Medak Circle), (b) GI wire 4 mm, (c) GI stay wire 7/3.15mm (d) GI stay wire 7/2.5 mm, (e) 11KV 20/5A CTPT Sets of 0.2S (f) 11KV 40/5A CTPT Sets of 0.2S (g) 3-Ph 63 KVA DTRs with BIS Level-3 (h) 3Ph 100KVA DTRs with BIS Level-3 (i) 10Cx2.5 sq.mm CC Cable (j) New T/F Oil (Type-II) on e-procurement platform **AND** e-Auction for Survey reported (a) scrapped vehicles, (b) 21 Nos. PTR scrap.

For further details of each item above, please visit **www.tssouthernpower.com, www.tender.telangana.aov.in** and **www.auction.telangana.gov.in.** Phone:040-23431319, 1033, 1035, 1026, 1448.

Sd/-(K.NARASIMHA SWAMY)
CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER (P&MM)

R.O. No.:1415-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2020-21

UJVN LTD.

H.O.: 'UJJWAL', Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones : 0135-2763808 & Fax : 0135- 2763507
CIN No.:U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website.: www.ujvnl.com

Letter No. 95 **IInd Time extension e-Tender Notice** Dated 30.01.2021

Due to unavoidable reasons e-Tender NIT No. NCB/12/EE(C&M)/MB-II/Joshiyara/2020-21 is hereby extended as given below :

Date of availability of bid document on website : 16.02.2021
Last Date for submission of bid on website : 21.03.2021

For fuller & further details, kindly visit " e-procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.in"

Executive Engineer (C&M)

"Avoid Wasteful use of Electricity"

BANARAS LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, VARANASI-221004

Bid No. E-74/2020-21 **E-TENDERS** **Dated: 27.01.2021**

E-Tenders are invited for & on behalf of the president of India for the supply of following items. Only E-offer will be accepted for which vendors must have class III Digital Signature and registration on IREPS. The details of tenders are in the following sequence S.No., Tender No.(Due Date), Description and Quantity. **(1)** 03202002 (22.02.2021), St. Steel Sheet PL No.29120147, 152 set. **(2)** 03201083 (02/03/2021), set of Pipe Saddle PL No.29210549, 172 set. **(3)** 03201007B (26.02.2021), Brake Control System, PL No.29180016, 44 set. **(4)** 03202784 (17.02.2021), Alluminium Finish Strip, PL No.93120230, 1861.86 kgs. **(5)** 03211004 (23.02.2021), Side Wall assembly, PL No.29171040, 50 set. **(6)** 03202481 (17.02.2021), Set of Insulating Base, PL No.29720977, 398 sets. **(7)** 01201251A (15.02.2021),SET OF METALLIC PIPE, PL No.29230044, 205 set **Note:** For Complete details of EMD and downloading of tender documents and Hindi Version also available at **website www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in** and **www.ireps.gov.in. Corrigendum Notice Date: 27-01-2021** S.No. 1. **Bid No.** E-71 **Tender No.:** 09200120, Traction Motor Blower Including Motor to PL No. 29440075, **Revision**-1 **Details of Corrigendum** - 1. The date of opening of tender has been revised and now the same will be opened on 05.02.2021 instead of 29.01.2021 (2.) The Qty. of tender has been modified from 146 Sets to 252 Sets. **Note:** All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged for above tenders. **Corrigendum Notice Date: 25-01-2021** S.No. 1. **Bid No.** E-28 **Tender No.:** 09201133 Set of cable Tie (Other than panel section) PL No. 29618393, **Revision**-2 **Details of Corrigendum** - The date of opening of tender has been revised and now the same will be opened on 15.03.2021 instead of 05.02.2021 **(2) Bid No.** E-06 **Tender No.:** 09201045 Set of Base of cable Ties consisting of six items PL No.29618381, **Revision**-3 **Details of Corrigendum** : The date of opening of tender has been revised and now the same will be opened on 15.03.2021 instead of 10.02.2021. **Note:** All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged for above tenders.

P.R.O./BLW/S-81 **PCMM**

/banaraslocowork " Website:- www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in"

ಸೆಂಟ್ರಲ್ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ ಆಫ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ
सेन्ट्रल बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया
Central Bank of India

71, SONA TOWERS, MILLER'S ROAD, BANGALORE
PH NO. 22265301, 22267456,
MOBILE 9538877301

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Chief Manager & the Authorised officer of the Central Bank Of India Regional Office, Bangalore, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice dated **03.02.2020** calling upon the borrower **Smt. V A Sudha Madhuri,** W/o Mr. V. A. Srinivasa Reddy, Flat No. F-3, IInd Floor, "Vignesh Habitat" Ward No. 15, Kodigehalli Village Yelahanka Hobli Bangalore North 560092. **Mr. V.A.Srinivas Reddy** S/o Mr.V.A.Balachandra Reddy, No.817,15th Main, 5th A"Cross, Behind ICICI Bank, Ward No.15, Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, BTM 2nd Stage, Near Udipi Garden Hotel, Bangalore 560076 hereinafter referred to as 'the borrowers' to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.25,22,273.64/-** (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Three and Sixty Four Paise only) as on **03.02.2020** plus interest and charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section 4 of Section 13 of the act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules, 2002 on this **29th day of January 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule property and any one dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Central Bank Of India, Millers Road Extension BRANCH** for an amount **Rs.25,22,273.64/-** plus further interest and Charges thereon from **03.02.2020** less repayments made, if any.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section (13) of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that the piece and parcel of Flat No.F-3, Second Floor in "VIGNESH HABITAT" CONSTRUCTED ON Property No. Old 18, New No.35, Assessment No.33, Khata No.582, BBMP Khata No.1473/1440/1385/35/33/582, Ward No.15, 6th Cross Road, Bhadrappa Layout, Kodigehalli Block Situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, having a super built up area of about 978 Sq.ft. and one covered car parking slot/s in the stilt floor, without the right to use terrace together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift, staircases and other areas of common use, including the floors, ceiling and walls between apartments jointly belonging to such other Apartment owner's equally. and 307 Sq.ft. undivided right, title and interest in the land comprised in the property No. old 18 New 35 and bounded on :

Boundaries of the Property: As per the document: South by : Private Property, North by: Property No.31,32,33 and 34, West by: property No.27,28 & 29, East by: Road.

Flat Boundaries: South by : Corridor & Flat No. E-3, North by: Open Space, West by: Flat No.D-3, East by : Open Space.

Date: 29.01.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer/Chief Manager**
Place : Bangalore **Central Bank of India**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರ ಕಚೇರಿ
ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ

ನಂ:ಗ್ರಾಕುನೀಮತ್ತುನೈವಿ/ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ/ಪಿಬಿ–1,2&3/ಟೆಂಡರ್/2020–21/1562 **ದಿನಾಂಕ:28–01–2021**

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್–ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಮಾನ್ಯ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ರವರಿಂದ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿದೆ. 1) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ವಿವರ:

1) Indent No-31775 (Jamakhandi Taluka Gothe) APT-158.06 Lakhs, 2) Indent No-31777 (Jamakhandi Taluka Siddapur) APT-123.61 Lakhs, 3) Indent No-31774 (Jamakhandi Taluka Kadapatti) APT-105.67 Lakhs

1) ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶಿರ್ಷಿಕೆ: ಜಲ ಜೀವನ ಮೀಷನ್ –2020–21, 2) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ಅರ್ಹತೆ:3 ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ, 3) ಟೆಂಡರ ಪಾರಂ ಪಡೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:05–02–2021 ರಿಂದ 07–02–2021, 4) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಬೆಲೆ ಮತ್ತು ಇ.ಎಮ್ ಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ, 5) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪಾರಂ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05–02–2021 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆಯ ವರೆಗೆ, 6) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:07–02–2021 ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ, 7) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 09–02–2021 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ,8) ಪ್ರಿ ಬಿಡ್ ಮೀಟಿಂಗ್ ಸ್ಥಳ: ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರ ಕಚೇರಿ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ದಿನಾಂಕ:01–02–2021, 11:00 Hrs ,9) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬೇಕಾದ ವಿಳಾಸ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ, ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ, 10)ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲ ತಾಣದ ವಿಳಾಸ www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

ಟಿಪ್ಪಣೆ:– 1) ಟೆಂಡರ ಮೊತ್ತಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಕಡಿಮೆ ದರವನ್ನು ನಮೂದಿಸಿದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಟ್ಟು ವ್ಯತ್ಯಾಸ ಮೊತ್ತದ DD/FDR ನ್ನು ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರು ಮತ್ತು ನೈರ್ಮಲ್ಯ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ಇವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದು ಸ್ಕ್ಯಾನ್ ಮಾಡಿ ಆನ್‌ಲೈನ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು. ಟೆಂಡರ ಅನುಮೋದನೆಗಿಂತ ಮುಂಚಿತವಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ತಪ್ಪಿದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂತಹ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

2) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಮೊತ್ತಕ್ಕೆ 12% GST ಯನ್ನು ಸೇರಿಸಿ ಕೆಲಸದ ಆದೇಶ ನೀಡಲಾಗುವುದು.

ರುಜು/–ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
DIPR/BGK/RO-NO-463/MCA/2020-21 ಗ್ರಾಕುನೀ ಮತ್ತು ನೈ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ

Bopanna to team up with McLachlan

Rohan Bopanna will partner Japan's Ben McLachlan for ther Australian Open, beginning February 8. He was forced to change partners after Joao Sousa had withdrawn from the Major after testing positive for Covid-19. The Indian will play his first match of the year at the Great Ocean Road next week.

England's unfamiliar support staff: A Covid compliance official

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

IN December, just before England embarked on a tour to Sri Lanka, they added a new member to their support staff — a Covid compliance officer. A first for any sporting team in the world, the person was brought to oversee if Covid protocols were met. That it came after the South Africa tour, where the visitors had to pull out mid-way through the series due to bio-bubble concerns in Cape Town, only made the appointment more necessary.

It showed two things. That England were not taking any chances. Two, they were showing the way to the rest of the world. Even if they had become the first team to report a bio-bubble breach — Jofra Archer against the West Indies — they have led the way in playing at home (matches against West Indies, Pakistan and Australia). Currently quarantining in Chennai ahead of the Test series, they are already on their third overseas tour.

The Covid compliance officer, whose identity hasn't been revealed so that they can take unpopular decisions independently without worrying about how the players will receive it, was appointed from within their set up. "I'm normally head of safety and security at the ECB (England and Wales Cricket Board) but in 2020, I led the planning to create the bio-secure environments that ran for our summer and delivered all our international matches. With my experience of managing these environments, I was brought into the Sri Lanka and India tours to support all the Covid issues on the ground," the officer informed in an email interview.

For example, before arriving in India, the officer will have had "an understanding of all the protocols in place" so that in case there is a Covid positive case in the camp or anyone comes in contact with an infected person, they know what is to be done. Hotels, venues and transportation plans are analysed so that a safe environment is available for players to perform without worrying about anything. "We have to assure our players that it's safe but also consider their welfare and the performance of the team. Each bubble is slightly different and will also be influenced by government policy and the nature of the hotels and grounds. We have to adapt to these so there are always differences. The BCCI has done an excellent job and their experience with the IPL and in Australia as a touring team is invaluable," the officer said.

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>
> England's Covid compliance officer

During their recent concluded tour of Sri Lanka, there were a couple of Covid-19 positive cases at their hotel in Galle. But unlike what happened in South Africa, England didn't panic and they went ahead with the tour. "We had good plans in place to manage any of the scenarios that we were presented with. Having a compliance officer with a strong understanding of risk management and containment strategies gave a lot of reassurance to the team. Sri Lanka Cricket managed the incidents well and kept us informed of all the facts at an early stage," the officer added.

While squad lengths have increased because of the need to quarantine and travel issues, England have been flexible in many ways. They will be rotating players right through the India tour. Apart from welfare, importance is being given to their mental well being too as living in bubbles can be difficult in the long run. Although the call is taken by the selectors, the officer has to oversee their safety too.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SHUFFLE PLAY

Buttler backs ECB's 'forward-thinking' rotation policy, says skipper Root's presence could bolster the team during Tests against India beginning next week

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

THERE has been some hand-wringing with respect to the way England are rotating players. The England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) hit upon this idea given the Covid-19 situation. While other teams have rested players whilst keeping them in the bubble, the ECB have given players proper down-time since they first started playing amid the pandemic last July.

Keeping their in-house protocol in mind, they didn't take Jofra Archer, Rory Burns and Ben Stokes for the two-match Test series to Sri Lanka. Even as those three came back to the side for the India series, Jos Buttler and Jonny Bairstow will skip a chunk of the red and pink-ball leg of the series here. That decision was criticised by Kevin Pietersen among others.

However, Buttler, who will leave the squad after the first Test, backed the ECB's stance. "The ECB have been really forward thinking for us... to rotate players in and out of this series," he told during a virtual press conference on Saturday. Even if the feeling is that Bairstow, one of the side's best players against spin bowling, should have been retained, Buttler said it just isn't possible considering the amount of time spent in bubbles. "I'm sure at times it's frustrating because you want to see the best players on show all the time but it's just not possible with the amount of cricket and the amount of time spent in bubbles."

That's true. Here's a look at England's schedule for 2021, the entirety of which will be played in some sort of bubble in place. After Sri Lanka and India, there is the Indian Premier League. Then they are lined up to play in multiple home series against New Zealand, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and India. Once they are done with that, they fly out to Pakistan for a T20I series before the T20 World Cup in India. Once the finish that assignment, they are scheduled to fly to Australia for The Ashes. That all of this is still subject to Covid-19 only adds to the confusion, a point the custodian touched upon.

"(I think) short-term goals are really important. When you look ahead, there is so much uncertainty. I certainly find that tough knowing that there is no real certainty at the moment in most of the things we are doing."

One of those short-term goals is to beat India in India. He termed it as a real challenge 'because you are playing the best team in the world in their own conditions'. Two of the batsmen who could give the visitors an advantage here are Joe Root and Bairstow, who will return for the third Test. They are only two of the very few active overseas cricketers to have experienced a series win on Indian soil. And Buttler said the England skipper's ability against spin will be key for them.

"Joe was on that tour (of 2012-13) and he made his debut on that tour. He'll have some fond memories and learnings from how that team was successful. That was one of the best England teams we had. He's one of the best exponents of the sweep shot and he picks length brilliantly, which is a big strength playing against spin. It's very hard keeping dot balls against him because he manages to rotate the strike so well."

That's true, he repeatedly swept the Sri Lankan spinners on turning tracks during centuries in back-to-back Tests earlier this month. In fact, according to numbers put out by *The Daily Telegraph*, he averages 300 while playing that shot since 2018.

"He did that really well in Sri Lanka and one of the biggest things was his hunger to bat for a long period of time. He's in great form and that's a good place for him to be in. And for the team to learn from him."

England all-rounder Ben Stokes (C) during a training session in Chennai | ECB

IN TESTS | M: 49, **R:** 2674, **Avg:** 34.72
IN INDIA | M: 3, **R:** 154, **Avg:** 38.50

IMPACT PLAYER: JOS BUTTLER

Considered as a limited-over specialist, Buttler will play only first Test and will return home before coming back to India for the ODIs and T20s. Though he doesn't boast of great numbers in this format, the 30-year-old is among the few English players to have played in India before. Part of the touring squad in 2016, the lower-middle-order bat's familiarity with the conditions, having played IPL for four years, makes him an impact player. With England lacking experience at the top, the onus will be on the likes of Joe Root and Buttler.

EXPRESS READ

Safi Darashah Trophy dropped from plans

BENGALURU: In light of BCCI's decision to forgo Ranji Trophy this season, the KSCA has cancelled Safi Darashah Trophy tournament, which was due to begin today. The KSCA said that there will be no tournament for seniors before the Vijay Hazare Trophy.

India shooters finish on top in online meet

NEW DELHI: Indians topped the medals tally at the First Asian Online Shooting Championship. The team won four gold medals, besides two silver and five bronze medals, for a total of 11 medals. Saurabh Chaudhary, Divyansh Singh Panwar, Kynan Chenai and Rajeshwari Kumari won gold.

NorthEast pull off big victory over Mumbai

CHENNAI: NorthEast United pulled off a stunning 2-1 win over table-toppers Mumbai City in the Indian Super League at the Tilak Maidan, Vasco on Saturday proving that their revival under interim coach Khalid Jamil is no fluke. With this result, the Highlanders moved into top four in the standings.

DK's presence helped me play freely: KB

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

KB Arun Karthick made a stroke-filled 89 not out as Tamil Nadu beat Rajasthan in the semifinals of the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy on Friday. The right-handed batsman credited teamwork and Dinesh Karthik's astute leadership for the team's stupendous show in the tournament.

"Feels good to have contributed to the side's win. We have a team that has the right amount of experience and youth in its ranks that can deliver in any condition and in any situation," said Karthick.

At one stage, Tamil Nadu were 69 for 3, but Karthick then stitched a valuable unbeaten partnership of 89 with his skipper to help the team achieve the tricky target of 155 and storm into the final. "As long as DK was there we knew that we will not have any problem in achieving the target. DK has a calming influence that helps his partner perform without any pressure. His presence helped me go for the shots and play freely," explained the 34-year-old cricketer from Walajapet.

Tamil Nadu chief coach D Vasu also praised the duo. "Both Arun and DK are senior players in the team. They played with maturity and understanding. The depth in our batting certainly helped us during the chase against Rajasthan. We will carry forward the momentum into the final," said Vasu.

Karthick is one of the few professional cricketers in the country, who has been plying his trade for many states in domestic cricket, and has been successful in his job, be it Kerala or Puducherry and now Tamil Nadu. "I feel at home after moving to Tamil Nadu. The atmosphere is always good at the camp. I am moved by the warmth shown by the players and coaching staff. I am keen to do well and win tournaments."

The former RCB player played all three formats for Puducherry last season and believed it has helped him grow as a cricketer. "Having played for other states (Kerala and Puducherry) as a professional has helped me evolve as a cricketer. The pressure of being a professional player is different from that of a local one. All these experiences will come in handy."

FINAL SHOWDOWN

Both Tamil Nadu and Baroda head into the Sunday's Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 final with an unbeaten run in the competition. A brief look at the teams ahead of the match in Ahmedabad...

CHASE MASTERS

The Tamil Nadu team, brimming with confidence, have won six matches while chasing. Despite early jitters and top-order collapses, Dinesh Karthik's men have managed to pull off wins and cross the finish line. It has to be seen if they could come out victorious if they are asked to defend on Sunday.

NO OF TITLES
Baroda: **2**
TN: **1**

PACE PACKED

Baroda, under their battle-hardened stand-in captain Kedar Devdhar, had won some one-sided matches but also a cliff-hanger against Haryana in the quarters. On Sunday, they will be relying on the pace duo of Atit Sheth and Lukman Meriwala, who have picked up 24 wickets between them, to come good against TN's strong batting line-up.

Live on SS1 from 7pm

Trials loom even as Sonam beats Sakshi

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

WRESTLER Sonam Malik might have defeated veteran Sakshi Malik thrice in as many meetings in little over than a year, but it's not enough to guarantee her a place in the national squad for the two Olympic qualifiers scheduled in April and May respectively.

The 7-5 win over the Rio Olympic bronze medallist in the 62kg final of the ongoing senior national wrestling championship on Saturday might have made Sonam crowd favourite, but the 18-year-old from Haryana still has to compete in the selection trials if she wishes to compete in the qualifiers.

"Olympics is a big event and we want to give an opportunity to everyone who is aspiring for it. More importantly, there is still some time for the qualifiers. So, we will organise selection trials in March after the Rome Ranking Series to select the best squad for the two qualifiers," Vinod Tomar, assistant secretary of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI), said.

The WFI's dictate means every national gold medallist including Anshu Malik, who won 57kg final on Saturday beating Lalita, has to compete in the trials if he or she wishes to make it to the national squad for the qualifiers.

"Gold medallists of the nationals will represent the country in the Ranking Series scheduled in March, but for the Olympic qualifiers the grapplers, both male and female, have to clear trials," he added.

Meanwhile, finals in the five weight categories — 50kg, 55kg, 57kg, 62kg and 72kg — were held in Agra on Saturday. Minakshi won the 50kg final, beating Henny Kumari while Anju won gold in 55kg, defeating Bunty. Pinki got the better of Naina in 72kg final.

Sakshi Malik (R) in action during the nationals in Agra on Saturday | WFI

City move four points clear in PL

AFP @ London

MANCHESTER City opened up a four-point lead at the top of the Premier League with a 1-0 win over bottom-of-the-table Sheffield United, while Everton's bid for a top-four finish was dented by a shock home defeat by Newcastle.

Gabriel Jesus scored the only goal inside the first 10 minutes at the Etihad as City extended their winning run to 12 games in all competitions.

Ferran Torres and Jesus were two of five changes made by Guardiola and they combined to make the breakthrough as the Brazilian tapped home for his first Premier League goal since November. City failed to build on the lead, but comfortably held out for a 15th clean sheet in their last 19 games.

TARGET INDIA OPEN

Domestic badminton set to resume from April

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

BADMINTON is set to return to the country for the first time following the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic last summer. The Badminton Association of India (BAI) announced that they will be conducting two senior ranking tournaments from April. This move has been made keeping in mind the India Open — Super 500 event — beginning in New Delhi on May 11.

The BAI came to the decision during its Executive Committee meeting that was held in Guwahati on Saturday. All the affiliated state association members had joined the meeting virtually.

The April tournaments, for which the venue is yet to be decided, will be the first ones to fall under new a tournament structure. The revamped structure (senior level) comprises of three levels (Level 1, 2 & 3) and a total of 12 tournaments will be held in a year. There is no change in structure at the junior level for now.

The fact that the country is scheduled to host the India Open (subject to Covid), a World Tour 500 event, meant BAI thought it would be prudent to start domestic meets, which will give them a platform to prepare for the bigger event.

"It's been a long time. We are really hopeful of getting things started. Let's see how the coronavirus situation is then (April). When we get the chance to conduct the tournament, we'll get a fair idea of how to go about things. Then we have the India Open. After that, we will continue to conduct other domestic meets," BAI general secretary, Ajay Singhania, who was part of the meeting told this newspaper.

The two meets that have been proposed for April are Level 3 tournaments. Level 3 meets carries a prize purse of ₹10 lakh. According to BAI, the April meets will feature both qualifying and main draw. There are no entry restriction in qualifying draws and a total of 32 players in singles and 16 doubles pairs can earn main draw spots through qualifiers. The main draw will comprise of 64 singles and 32 doubles pairs.

IN THE COURT OF THE XX ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, BANGALORE
(O.S. 2575/1995)
F.D.P. 142/ 2016

1. Smt. Soumya Aradhya, W/o Late B.R. Mallikarjuna Aradhya,
2. Sri Jashwa Aradhya, S/o Late B.R. Mallikarjuna Aradhya,
3. Sri Yeshwanth Aradhya, S/o Late B.R. Mallikarjuna Aradhya,

Sl No.1 to 3 are R/a No.36/571, 13th A Cross, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Near Hebbal Kempapura, Bengaluru-560024 ... **Petitioners**

-V/s -

1. Sri B R Rudra Murthy S/o Late B P Rajashekaraiah R/a in portion of No. 39, 1st floor, Gejje Basetty lane, Cottonpet First Main, Bangalore-53.
2. Sri B R Renuka Aradhya S/o Late B P Rajashekaraiah R/a in portion of No. 39, Gejje Basetty lane, Cottonpet First Main, Bangalore-53 ... **Respondents**

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR COURT AUCTION

Whereas the Petitioners in the FDP. No.142/2016 have filed Application seeking permission of the Hon'ble Court for Public Auction of the Schedule Property mentioned here below to satisfy the Decree.

The Hon'ble City Civil Judge (Court Hall No. 32) fixed the date of Public Auction on the Spot on **03-02-2021** on Wednesday at 11-00 A.M. at the schedule property itself. The Prospective Participant/ Bidder shall Deposit Rs 10,000/- with the Court Commissioner before participation which is refundable if not succeeded in the auction bid. The highest successful bidder has to remit 25% of the Bid Amount at the Spot on the date of Auction before the Court Commissioner. The remaining amount that is 75% has to be remitted to the Hon'ble Court by the Highest Bidder by way of Demand Draft on 10-02-2021 at 11 A.M before the Hon'ble XX Additional City Civil Judge Bengaluru (CCH-32).

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

1. Back portion of premises bearing No.39, Gejje Basetty lane, Cottonpet, Bangalore city, Measuring East to West 19 ½ feet, and North to South 30 feet & bounded on:
East by : Previously Muniswamappa's House now belonging to Pandit Dasappa,
West by : Dr. Nanjundaiah's House,
North by : Portion No.39, sold to Muniyamma and Passage of this premises.
South by : Chennappa's House.
2. Back portion of premises bearing No.39, Gejje Basetty lane, Cottonpet, Bangalore city, Measuring East to West 4 feet, and North to South 73 feet and bounded on:
East by : Portion sold to Muniyamma,
West by : Nanjundaiah's House,
North by : Gejje Basetty Lane.
South by : Back portion of No.39.

The Court Commissioner,
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Jurist Chamber, 'Mourya Mansion,
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(See Rule 8(1) POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable Property

Whereas: The undersigned being the authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, Ananth Nagar Branch,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a **Demand Notice dated 13/11/2020** calling upon the **Borrowers 1. Mr. Jibi Rathnakar & Mrs. Subitha P T and Guarantor Mr. Jagadish Basappa** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs.1,17,48,328 (Rupees One Crore Seventeen Lakhs Forty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Eight Only)** and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **27th day of January 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Ananth Nagar Branch** for an amount **Rs.1,17,48,328 (Rupees One Crore Seventeen Lakhs Forty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Eight Only)** and interest thereon.

The borrower's/Guarantor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Secured Assets:

Schedule A (Description Of Property) All that piece and parcel of the property bearing CMC Khatha No.460, Sy No.66/2 & 66/7, Jakkur Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, totally measuring 1,35,794 Sq Ft, bounded on the East by: Land Acquired by BDA; West by: Lands of a Ramakka, W/o Subbiah and K.V. Srikantiah, North by : Road; South by : Road.
Schedule-B : All that piece and parcel of the Flat bearing No. 602, in Sixth Floor of A3 Block "Aries Lakeview" constructed on the Schedule-A Property, along with 914.8 Sq Ft of Undivided share right, title and interest in the land comprised with parking space in the Multi-storied building constructed on Schedule B property, measuring 2205 Sq. feet of Super build up area having RCC Roofing , Vitrified Tiles Flooring , along with water , Sanitary and electrical connection with Two car Parking area in basement or stilt.

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EXFILE • MEDICINE

WHY WE CAN'T INCREASE COVID-19 VACCINE SUPPLIES VERY QUICKLY

With demand for Covid-19 vaccines outpacing the world's supplies, a frustrated public and policymakers want to know: How can we get more? A lot more. Right away

The image above shows a "freezer farm," a football field-sized facility for storing finished Covid-19 vaccines, in Pfizer's Belgium plant. On the right, boxes containing the Moderna vaccine are prepared for shipping at a distribution center in Mississipi, US | AP

NO ROOM FOR ERROR

Makers of Covid-19 vaccines need everything to go right as they scale up production to hundreds of millions of doses — and any little hiccup could cause a delay. Some of their ingredients have never before been produced at the sheer volume needed

RAW MATERIALS

Production depends on enough raw materials. Pfizer and Moderna insist they have reliable suppliers

But Moderna CEO Stephane Bancel acknowledges that challenges remain. With shifts running 24/7, if on any given day "there's one raw material missing, we cannot start making products and that capacity will be lost forever because we cannot make it up," he recently told investors

And sometimes the batches fall short. AstraZeneca told an outraged European Union that it, too, will deliver fewer doses than originally promised right away. The reason cited: Lower than expected "yields," or output, at some European manufacturing sites

DIFFERENT VACCINES, DIFFERENT RECIPES

The multiple types of Covid-19 vaccines being used in different countries all train the body to recognise the new coronavirus, mostly the spike protein that coats it. But they require different technologies, raw materials, equipment and expertise to do so

SCALING UP

The two vaccines authoried in the United States so far, from Pfizer and Moderna companies, are made by putting a piece of genetic code called mRNA — the instructions for that spike protein — inside a little ball of fat

Making small amounts of mRNA in a research lab is easy but "prior to this, nobody made a billion doses or 100 million or even a million doses of mRNA," said Dr. Drew Weissman of the University of Pennsylvania, who helped pioneer mRNA technology

Scaling up doesn't just mean multiplying ingredients to fit a bigger vat. Creating mRNA involves a chemical reaction between genetic building blocks and enzymes, and Weissman said the enzymes don't work as efficiently in larger volumes

VARIABILITY

AstraZeneca's vaccine, already used in Britain and several other countries, and one expected soon from Johnson & Johnson, are made with a cold virus that sneaks the spike protein gene into the body. It's a very different form of manufacturing: living cells in giant bioreactors grow that cold virus, which is extracted and purified. "If the cells get old or tired or start changing, you might get less," Weissman said. "There's a lot more variability and a lot more things you have to check"

We think, 'Well, OK, it's like men's shirts, right? I'll just have another place to make it. "It's just not that easy

Dr. Paul Offit of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, a vaccine adviser to the US government

Recent research nixes theory of life on Venus

Astronomers last year said there was phosphine (PH_3) on the planet, indicating life; studies now say it was just SO_2

How phosphine gas is created

Phosphine is made up of three hydrogen atoms and a phosphorous atom. On Earth, there are only two ways phosphine can be formed. One is in an industrial process. (The gas was produced for use as chemical warfare agent in WW I.) The other way is as part of some kind of poorly understood function in animals and microbes. Some scientists consider it a waste product

Why is it important

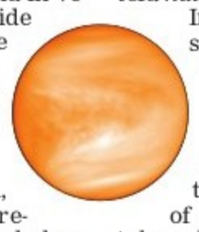
As astronomers plan for searches for life on planets outside our solar system, a major method is to look for chemical signatures that can only be made by biological processes, called biosignatures

ASTRONOMY

WASHINGTON: Ever since researchers reported in September that they had spotted the spectral signature of phosphine gas in Venus' atmosphere, a lively debate has been underway, with other researchers poring over the new data to either cautiously support or challenge the claim. But two new papers now appear to have debunked the theory.

The debate on this actually stretches back to the late Carl Sagan, who speculated about the possibility of life in the clouds of Venus in 1967. And in Sept last year, a study in *Nature Astronomy* said that the chemical signature of phosphine —a noxious gas that on Earth is only associated with life — has been found in the thick Venusian clouds.

Venus is an inhospitable planet where temperatures on the surface are around 425°C, with no water. Researchers thought that the phosphine could be coming from some kind of microbes living inside sulfuric acid droplets that exist 50 kms above ground in Venus' thick carbon-dioxide layer cloud deck, where it's about room temperature.



In the last four months, several studies have challenged, thought not disproved, this claim. The two recent papers — uploaded on arXiv preprint server on Jan 26 and accepted for publication in *Astrophysical Journal Letters* — explain the data in a way that disproves the existence of those large amounts of phosphine in Venus.

"What we bring to the table is a comprehensive look, another way of explaining this data that isn't phosphine," Victoria Meadows, an astrobiologist at the University of Washington in Seattle who helped lead the two studies, told *nature.com*.

In one of the studies, researchers looked at telescope data again and could not find the spectral signature. In the other study, researchers concluded that the original team of astronomers had mistaken phosphine for sulfur dioxide (SO_2), which is commonly found on Venus and is not a sign of life.

Ignas Snellen, an astronomer at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands, told *nature.com* that these studies make it clear that there is no sign of the gas. "This makes the whole debate about phosphine, and possibly life in the atmosphere of Venus, quite irrelevant."

The original team was led by Jane Greaves, an astronomer at the University of Cardiff. Greaves et al. had looked at a spectral line in Venus's atmosphere through the James Clerk Maxwell Telescope in Hawaii at a frequency of 266.94 gigahertz — the frequency roughly on which phosphine and SO_2 absorb light. They then ran the data through the Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimeter Array (Alma) in Chile to separate SO_2 and phosphine and found only the latter.

When other researchers later tried to replicate this data reprocessing, they couldn't find the phosphine.

FACT OF THE MATTER

Afternoon nap boosts memory

RESEARCH

Taking a regular afternoon nap can keep your brain sharp as a new study suggests that afternoon napping is linked to better mental agility. The researchers, including Wei Li from the Shanghai Jiao Tong University in China, suggests that afternoon nap seems to be associated with better locational awareness, verbal fluency and working memory. For the study, published in the journal General Psychiatry, the researchers involved 2,214 ostensibly healthy people aged at least 60 and residents of several large cities around China. In all, 1,534 took a afternoon nap, while 680 did not. All participants underwent a series of checks and cognitive assessments, including the Mini Mental State Exam to check for dementia.

Vatican Museums

HISTORY

The Vatican Museums, including the Sistine Chapel, said they will reopen on Monday after being closed for 88 days due to coronavirus restrictions -- the longest closure since World War II. The world-famous collections will open their doors to the public from Monday to Saturday, but visitors must pre-book tickets and will be given timed entry slots. Curators used the closure, sparked by Italian government measures introduced to stem the spread of Covid-19, to carry out maintenance and refurbishment works. That included careful dusting of 15th-century frescoes in the Sistine Chapel, which attracts six million visitors a year. "The Pope's Museums await you with pleasure!" a statement said.

WHO team visits 2nd Wuhan hospital in virus origins probe

SCIENCE

WUHAN: A team of WHO experts investigating the origins of the coronavirus toured a propaganda exhibition celebrating China's recovery from the pandemic in Wuhan on Saturday, after a meeting at the hospital that treated the first confirmed Covid-19 cases over a year ago.

Details of the trip have been scant so far, with the media kept at arm's length and information on the itinerary dribbling out via tweets from the World Health Organization experts instead of China's tight-lipped Communist authorities. The group was driven to the Jinyintan Hospital, the first to receive officially diagnosed Covid-19 patients in late 2019, as the horrors of the virus emerged inWuhan.

In a tweet, team member Peter Daszak welcomed the hospital visit as an "Important opportunity to talk directly w/ medics who were on the ground at that critical time fighting COVID!"

On Saturday afternoon, the team visited a cavernous exhibition that applauds the emergency response of Wuhan health authorities in the chaotic, terrifying early stages of the outbreak -- as well as the agility of the Communist leadership in controlling a crisis without precedent.

The WHO mission comes with heavy political baggage -- China refused the team access until mid-January and there are question marks over what the experts can hope to find a year after the virus first emerged.

On Friday, the WHO's emergencies director Michael Ryan sought to manage expectations. Success "is not measured necessarily in absolutely finding a source on the first mission", he told a press conference in Geneva. "This is a complicated business, but what we need to do is gather all of the data... and come to an assessment as to how much more we know about the origins of the disease and what further studies may be needed to elucidate that."

Last week, China warned the United States against "political interference" during the trip, after the White House demanded a "robust and clear" investigation.

LIFE-SAVING TECH

Rows of oxygen concentrators for Covid-19 patients sit in a plaza in Mexico City | AP

'Don't repeat bad history of vax hoarding'

MEDICINE

GENEVA: Faced with Covid-19, wealthy countries must avoid repeating past mistakes of hoarding medicines and vaccines, the World Health Organization said Friday, warning such behaviour would only drag out the pandemic.

WHO chief Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus decried the skirmish in wealthy countries to secure large amounts of various vaccines against the coronavirus while few doses have yet to reach poorer nations.

Tedros urged the world avoid repeating past mistakes, pointing to the HIV/AIDS crisis, where wealthy countries acquired life-saving medicines nearly a decade before they became affordable in poorer countries. He also pointed to the H1N1 flu pandemic in 2009, when vaccines only reached poorer nations after the outbreak was over.

"I don't think that is a good history. It is bad history," he said. The WHO chief cautioned that "if we hoard vaccines, and if we are not sharing... there will be a catastrophic moral failure."

SpaceX violated launch license?

TECH

The US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is probing the SpaceX's first high-altitude test flight of its Starship rocket, which exploded while landing in December. According to the FAA, SpaceX has violated the terms of its Federal Aviation Administration test license, *The Verge* reported. "The FAA will continue to work with SpaceX to evaluate additional information provided by the company as part of its application to modify its launch license," FAA spokesperson Steve Kulm said on Friday. "We will approve the modification only after we are satisfied that SpaceX has taken the necessary steps to comply with regulatory requirements." A prototype of SpaceX's next-generation heavy-lift rocket Starship exploded on landing after a high-altitude test flight in Texas. The launch and ascent of Starship serial number 8 were successful, but as the engines appeared to reignite for landing, the vehicle flipped back to vertical and then slammed into the ground. "Low pressure in the fuel header tank during the landing burn led to high touchdown velocity," SpaceX said on its website.

EINSTEIN-LEVEL SCORE

4-year-old British Sikh girl with 145 IQ joins Mensa club of genius kids

EDUCATION

LONDON: A four-year-old British Sikh girl has become one of the youngest in the UK to be accepted into the elite Mensa membership club of children with a high intelligence quotient (IQ).

Dayaal Kaur, who lives with her family in Birmingham, displayed exceptional learning abilities from very early on and had mastered the entire English alphabet by the time she was just 14 months old.

She expressed an enthusiasm to appear for the Mensa test, conducted online from home due to the coronavirus lockdown, and achieved an IQ score of 145, which puts her in the top one per cent of the UK's population in the 'very gifted or highly advanced' category.

'We are delighted to welcome Dayaal to Mensa, where she joins a community of about 2,000 junior and teen members,' said John Stevenage, British Mensa's chief executive.

'Her family can make use of the supportive parents' network that has developed and we hope that as she grows up, Dayaal makes many lifelong friends and experiences some of the many learning and network opportunities that Mensa offers,' he said.

The journey to this recognition has not been an easy one for the family as they struggled to convince local experts that Dayaal needed access to the gifted intelligence programme within the education system.

Her father, Sarbjit Singh, himself a teacher as a Health, Wellbeing and Pastoral Lead, persisted to prove that his daughter indeed was gifted.

'Now there is official documentation that proves that she is way beyond her level. As parents, it is natural for us to consider our child is special, but in this case there is actual proof that she is one in a million,' said Singh. 'There is a big debate to be had about how we cultivate our youth and provide the right kind of support and education so that we don't lose future inventors and high achievers'.

Dayaal, whose dream for now is to become an astronaut and also to have a stable full of horses, took the test just before her fourth birthday in Oct. Her parents explained what the online process would involve and she readily agreed in her usual spirit of 'coming alive' in any kind of learning scenario.

In her assessment, expert Lyn Kendall recommended that Dayaal's 'ability and maturity' meant that it would be worth considering accelerating her beyond her peer group in a classroom setting.

'I am so glad we persisted because otherwise Dayaal would have been lost in the system and got frustrated when she didn't feel like she was being challenged enough to learn new things constantly,' said her proud father, who was born and raised in Birmingham and whose family traces its roots back to Hoshiarpur in Punjab.

'Dayaal is equally enthusiastic when we are reading about Sikh history and has a fascination for icons such as Banda Singh Bahadur and Guru Gobind Singh so we try and do our best to make that learning fun. She hasn't yet been to India, but we hope to go as a family someday post-lockdown,' he said. As with most families, the lockdown forced her to curb her social side but she can't wait to return to nursery and play with her friends again.